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Bedford Road

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Historical Sketch

Miss Pamela S. Ouellette

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The George R. Duren house,
Bedford Street.
now the residence of Miss Pamela Ouilette.
photographed 1931.

Built
before 1791.

Isaac Duren
March 3d. 1829

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north front and west end

G. F. Duren

3

west end and south side of Duren house.

Duren house and farm-

Bedford Road.

The names and property of the Wilkins and Duren families have been so closely related that it is difficult to sort out the various transactions to make a connected story of their farm-

The first Timothy Wilkins to come to Carlisle in 1739 apparently owned in his 112 acres, practically all of the present center of Carlisle, where the Parish Church, Mac Dougall house and store, Green property, J. H. Wilkins place, Miss Hill's property, the William S. Barrett place, Library grounds and Duren place, are now located. I think it is possible also, that his land extended out East St, the old Billerica road, for some distance but I have not examined deeds to prove it.

About the time the agitation began to have this locality become a separate district in order to facilitate church attendance, Timothy Wilkins gave a piece of land to a group of neighbors and friends which he, and probably they, considered a desirable location for a parish church, and two years 1758 later a church was built. That same year, 1760 Timothy sold one hundred acres of his farm with two houses and a barn to his sons Isaac and Timothy, retaining however, the use of one for his lifetime, with the barn and half of all the land. This deed, while made in 1760, was not acknowledged before a notary until eight years later, and was not registered until 1791, which was thirty-one years after it was written and a short time after the father's death.

Previous to this, we are told by those who have searched the records, that Timothy and Anna removed to Hillsboro, N.H. with a part of their family, in 1767 and took an active part in town affairs. In 1783 he was back in Carlisle again, and this may explain why his name does not appear on the church book when the society was organized in 1781.

Where the two houses were located has not, to my knowledge, been definitely determined. One, I think we can safely say, was on the present Duren-Ouellette property in which Isaac and his wife became domiciled. The other, where the father Timothy made reservation for himself, was probably either Miss Caroline Hill's place, or the James H. Wilkins place.

Not far from Miss Ouellette's back door, probably stood the first home of Isaac Wilkins, located today only by the old cellar hole with its faithful guard of rose bushes. This later

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may have become the foundation of what is called the cider-mill house, in the family deeds. Mr. Rose Duren stated that his parents had told him this was the spot where Isaac Wilkins first lived.

Miss Lucy Duren came into possession of a chest of old and interesting deeds, among which we find that on Oct. 4-1792, Timothy, Jr. and his wife Mary, deeded to his brother Isaac for £ 300. "½ of ¾ of a dwelling standing on the easterly side of the road leading from Carlisle Meetinghouse to said Nathaniel Taylors," which I am inclined to think was somewhere beyond the present Highland School. If you look on the crude 1779 map, you will find two houses designated as Timothy Wilkins', one being out toward Picker's and the other somewhere approximately opposite the present Duren-Quellette house. An old Kibby deed speaks of joining Wilkinses land, which seems to help verify the location of the old house.

That same day another deed was made in which Isaac Wilkins, Gentleman, and his wife Mary, sold for £ 300 lawful money, to Timothy Wilkins, a certain farm containing about sixty-five acres, with all the buildings on the same. Also another piece of land in "Carlisle with ½ of ¾ of a dwelling house standing on the same."

This swapping back and forth of the family property had some meaning, of course, but it is obscure now. Timothy the father had died the previous year and Isaac and his brother Timothy were making land adjustments between themselves. There were other brothers — James, whose life story we do not know, and Andrew who settled in Hillsboro before 1772. There was Sarah who married Isaac Peabody and Anna who m. Jonathan Durant of Hillsboro. What part of their father's property they had, we do not know.

On Feb. 4-1795 for £ 150, lawful money, Isaac Wilkins and his wife Mary (Monroe) sold one half his farm to Reuben Durant, cooper. This was the year Reuben married Susanna Russell and was no doubt wishing to establish a home. Isaac Wilkins was then sixty years of age and his life expectancy not too great, yet he lived for many years. This deed not only let Reuben have half the land, but half the buildings also, which had come from his brother Timothy and wife Mary. At the end of the deed it says: "the condition of the foregoing instrument is such that the said Reuben is not to come

into possession until the decease of the said Isaac the grantor."
They lived twenty-one years after that in the same house, which presumably is the house now standing and which Reuben Duren probably built. The tragic part for Reuben was that Isaac outlived him and did not die till 1826 when he was 95 years old, according to his gravestone in the old cemetery. It is a towering affair, standing between the stones of his two wives, the Mower sisters. Thus Reuben's heirs came into possession of the property for looking after "Uncle Isaac" as long as he lived.

Reuben Duren died May 20 - 1819 and in the appraisal of his estate it gives "one half of a dwelling house and half of a barn, with the whole of a cider mill house, a cooper's shop, shoe maker's shop and wood house, together with about 50 acres of land lying in several pieces" &c. "also the other half of said dwelling house and barn with about 4 acres of land ------- on which there is an encumbrance of a life deed to Isaac Wilkins who is now upwards of 80 years of age," with the half of a pew in the meeting house, and personal estate, the total amounting to over $450.

Isaac, son of Reuben and Susanna (Russell) Duren, no doubt named for "Uncle" Isaac Wilkins, next had this property. In 1816 he m. Mary Blood, daughter of Fradrick and Elizabeth (Green) Blood of Carlisle. Her parents (her father and a third wife) later went to the West in a covered wagon and became first settlers in St. Albans (now Alexandria) Ohio, where they spent the remainder of their lives. The letters written on this long trip are most interesting and valuable.

Isaac and Mary Duren lived here together for 19 years, then Isaac died in 1835 and Mary lived upon her thirds of the Estate, her son George Frederick Duren also occupying the house.

On Oct. 17 - 1857, for $75, widow Mary deeded to George Frederick "the following real estate being part of the real estate of Isaac Duren, late of Carlisle, deceased, viz: One third part of the barn being the easterly part thereof, including the head scaffold and ten feet of the easterly part of the bay, and the easterly half of the linter reenning west to the fifth stantion, and a priviledge to the barn floor in common with the other owners, also the easterly half of the barnyard with the right to pass across the other half thereof." (Lowell, Book 12 - p. 211)

Twelve years later, on June 7 - 1867, widow Mary deeded to her son George F. Duren, for $225 "the following real estate, being part of the real estate of Isaac Duren, late of Carlisle, deceased,

viz: "the southeast lower room of the dwelling house of said deceased, and the Chamber and Garrett over the same, and the front East of the garrett stairway, also the south East part of the cellar under the above mentioned rooms, and two thirds of the orch, also one equal priveledge to the front door and front entry way, also the same priveledge to the stairway leading to the chamber and garrett and down cellar, also one undivided third part of the door-yard."

During the next four years, the widow Mary Duren lived with her grandson and wife, Mr. & Mrs. Prescott Nickles, and in 1880, her son, George F. Duren was in possession of the farm. She died in 1873. Then her son, George F. Duren bought out the other heirs of his father, and became owner of the entire farm. He married in 1843, Lucy A. F. Pease, daughter of William and Sarah (Dolley) Pease of Wilton, Maine. She came to Massachusetts as a seamstress. They had six children, five sons and a daughter. The father, George F. Duren died in 1894 and Lucy, his wife, in 1905.

George Rozalvin, the fifth son, born May 18-1858, died Dec. 6-1921. He married Marie Ouellette of Lowell, Jan. 1-1909. They succeeded in ownership of this place, although George R. did not follow agricultural lines. He held many town offices and was justice of the peace thirty-three years. He was interested in antiquarian matters and saved many a valuable document for the town.

George Rozalvin Duren, commonly called Roz Duren, and his wife Marie, had two daughters, Lucy Marie and Florence Lewis. Mrs Duren died Sept. 27-1936. Miss Pamela Ouellette, sister of Mrs Duren, is the present owner of this property, having acquired it after Mr. Duren's death.

There have been five generations of Durens live in this house, and each generation seemingly wanted the interior changed, so it has been greatly altered from what it was in the beginning. It appears that originally the front door was on the south side, facing the garden. Changes on the interior have made it look quite modern. There are no fireplaces or small-paned windows, no old paneling or any very ancient features.

The Duren family have been adherents to the Orthodox Faith. On April 6-1831 Isaac Duren leased a quarter of an acre of land to the Union Calvanistic Society on which to build a church. This was to run for nine hundred and ninety-nine years, with an initial payment of twenty dollars, and a yearly rental of one cent as long as the lease exists, to be paid to his heirs. There

was a stipulation that the preaching should be orthodox and evangelistic. This has all been complied with for a full century and no doubt will continue to the end of time.

Isaac was sexton and undertaker, also had a wire loom and cider mill, and did livery work as occasion presented itself. His son George F. Duren worked with and succeed him in the undertaking business, did some legal work and was a valuable citizen of Carlisle.

On July 6-1893, he and his wife Lucy celebrated their golden wedding in this house. It was a big and happy event. George F. died the next year, May 18-1894 and Lucy followed him on March 7-1905.

George Rozalvin Duren and his family are the last of this line to live in the old house. Both the daughters have married and gone out of town to live: Lucy married Alfred Donald Kennedy, a prominent young man of Dunstable, Mass. She is a graduate of the Massachusetts School of Art and talented in her chosen work.

The Duren house is now owned by Miss Pamela S. Ouellette who has been a resident of Carlisle since 1915.

Martha F. Wilkins - 1941.

Miss Pamela S. Ouellette-

Miss Pamela Semida Ouellette, born at Isle Verte, Province of Quebec, Canada, 1871, daughter of Doris and Geneviere Bessilieu Ouellette of Cacouna, P. Q. Graduate of Lowell (Mass) General Hospital, 1899. Accepted as a nurse to serve with the Harvard Unit in the British Hospital, either in England or in France; (signed by A. Lawrence Lowell, Pres. of Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass. Sailed June 22-1915. Landed in England, July 6-1915, at the time of the world war.

Served from July 17-1915 to Oct. 6-1915 with the British Expeditionary Force in France with #22 (Harvard) General Hospital. (signed by H. S. Goodwin, Lt. Genl; Director Genl; Army Medical Service).

Dr. Edward H. Nichols was in charge of this first Harvard University Surgical Unit of the British Red Cross with Hospital in France. The Unit (107 members) were entertained in England by Mr & Mrs Marsh of Warwick Castle, July 10-1915 at which time they were welcomed by the Mayor of Warwick in official dress and with attendants; also at tea by Lady Paget.

Miss Ouellette was the recipient of three medals, one from King George V, another, the victory medal, and the third, from the British War Office for efficient services during the world war, with Ribbon of Mons.

Miss Ouellette has been a resident of Carlisle since 1915.

Heirs of the "Church Cent."

The rental fee of one cent a year for the lease to the land on which the Carlisle Congregational Church stands, is to be paid to some one of the heirs of Isaac Duren who granted the lease.

There are certainly four living heirs (April 1-1941) and possibly more, as I do not know whether Hiram Nathaniel Richmson had children who might be eligible, and also Gertrude (Nickles) Richardson or her children.

The four whose names we know are:

1. Lucy (Duren) Kennedy (Mrs Donald Kennedy of Dunstable, Mass, great-grand-daughter of Isaac Duren.
2. Florence Lewis (Duren) Church, sister of Lucy, and great grand-daughter of Isaac Duren.
   Both descend through George Rozalin Duren (father)
   George Frederick Duren (grandfather)
   Isaac Duren (great grand-father)

3. Camilla Alesta (Nickles) Morse, (Mrs Charles Alfred Morse) of Andover, Mass. great granddaughter of Isaac Duren. They have no children.
4. Mary Elizabeth (Nickles) Morse (Mrs George Albert Morse) of Andover, Mass. great grand-daughter of Isaac Duren.
   These two are also sisters and descend through
   George Prescott Nickles (their father)
   Nancy Blood (Duren) Nickles (Mrs Prescott Nickles) their grandmother.
   Isaac Duren, their great grand father).

Duren House.

Occupants:

Reuben[5] & Susanna (Russell) Duren — m. 1795.
Isaac[6] + Mary (Blood) Duren — m. 1816
George F.[7] + Lucy A. F. (Pease) Duren — m. 1843
George R.[8] & Marie (Quillette) Duren — m. 1909
Lucy M.[9] Duren & Miss Pamela Quillette.

Estate of Reuben Duren,
d. May 20 - 1819.

As appraised by Asa Parlin, Ephraim Robbins and Timothy Adams, Sept. 1 - 1819.

Total of personal Estate — $1668.57

Real Estate:

One half of a dwelling house and half of a barn, with the whole of a cider mill house, a cooper's shop, shoe-maker's shop and wood house, together with about fifty acres of land lying in several pieces consisting of orcharding, tillage, mowing, pastering and woodland, appraised at — 1900.00

One half of a pew No. 22 on the lower floor in Carlisle Meeting house — 23.00

Also the other half of said dwelling house and barn with about four acres of land consisting of orcharding, tillage and mowing, together with one undivided half of about thirty two acres of land on which there is an incumbrance of a life deed to Isaac Wilkins who is now upwards of eighty years of age, — appraised at — 950.00

Estate of Reuben Duren.

An inventory of his estate was made by Ephraim Robbins, yeoman, Asa Parlin, Esq. and Timothy Adams, Gentleman, by appointment from Judge Prescott of Cumberland, June 1-1817.

There are pages of articles of furniture, miscellaneous articles, live stock, personal property, real estate &c. but to me the most interesting light is given under wearing apparel.

Two hats 2.50 one surtout 4.00 one coat 4.50	11.00
one coat 3.75 one do. 1.00 one thin coat 1.50	6.25
eight waist coats 6.00, drawers & underwaistcoat 1.00	7.00
eleven pair of pantaloons 18.00	18.00
two old great coats and a frock 1.00 five shirts 6.25	7.25
six old shirts and a piece of india cotton 1.25	1.25
a shirtee and two neck handkerchiefs 0.50, two old silk do. 25	.75
ten and a half yards of cotton and line cloth 3.15	3.15
a pair of stockings and six pair of knitting 1.50	1.50
a pair of boots and a pair of half boots 1.20 two pair of shoes 2.50	3.75

It seems as if Susanna kept him well supplied with things to wear.

His best bed and furniture, bedstead and cord warranted at $24.00. the second bed at 17.00 and furniture at $14.00. All were cord beds. They had windsor chairs, a great chair and six other chairs in the chamber, [illegible] fire shovel, bellows, desk, warming pan, brass kettle &c.

The house must have been well furnished.

Events in the Duren house and family.

Golden wedding of Mr & Mrs George F. Duren, July 6 - 1892.
The cider mill was in operation in 1819
Isaac Duren was shoemaker here as early as 1819.
The cellar near the barn was the first Isaac Wilkins house. Trees grow near it now.

Isaac Duren.

I have seen a certificate of membership in the Carlisle Fire Department which reads as follows:

Isaac Duren, "a member of the Fire Department of the Town of Carlisle, and is entitled to all the immunities belonging to said office." Aug 4-1832.

Signed by Cyrus Heald, Thomas Heald, Jr. and Jonas Parker, Selectmen; and Cyrus Heald, Town Clerk.

Fines and Taxes.

Concord, Sept. 21-1826, Jacob Blaisdell and John Duren in jail for military fines.
Concord, Oct-10-1829, William Duren in jail for taxes.

Isaac Duren died intestate. Mary Duren his widow was made administrator of his estate, Aug-11-1835 at Concord, by Judge L. P. Fay. Asa Nutting was made guardian of their minor children: George Duren, Mary Elizabeth Duren, Susan Maria Duren, Martha Augusta Duren and Nancy B. Duren.

Miss Lucy Duren has a beautiful large shawl, tree-of-life pattern, which once belonged to Lucy A.F. (Pease) Duren, her grandmother. Another large Paisley shawl belonged to Mrs. Nathaniel Hutchinson (Martha Augusta Duren) a former Secretary of the Ladies' Social Circle of the Congregational Church. She also has two pewter tea-pots; one made by "R. Gleason" the American pewterer.

Mrs Marie Duren has a small collection of old almanacs:

Part of one -- (Ames) 1763.
1 Weatherwise's 1787
1 Astronomical Diary Almanac, by A. Weatherwise, 1797.
1 Farmer's Almanac - Vol VII 1799. Has name "Lilly Green" on margin
1 " " 1807
The Clergyman's Minor Almanacie - 1813
" " " 1814
A tax-"collector's list" for 1851.

Isaac Duren -

In an old account book owned by Miss Lucy Duren (1937) with entries beginning Jan 2-1819 we find that Isaac Duren was a shoe maker, and operated a cider mill, was sexton upon occasion, and apparently sold some commodities such as groceries.

In 1819 he was making and repairing shoes for towns people. The first account was with "Mr Abel Taylor to Isaac Duren Dr. to toe peacing & soleing a pare of shoes, Jolus 0.19

14th to making a pr of womans shoes 0.75

18th to toe peacing & wraps 0.13

23rd to mending boots Crost the instept & toe 0.20

Feb. 9th to soleing shoes abels .20

March 31st to soleing shoes pacht &c.: Abels .33

Carlisle, December 4th 1819

Mr Abel Taylor Ditto making a pare of shoes. I found inner soles .25

In other accounts, I found where he made for Capt. Ezekiel Nickles "Feb. 3-1819, to making a pare of Boots he found upper leather and inner soles & double soled 2.50

to making a pare of shoes for Barnum, you found upper leather 1.33 "

This will give some idea of prices charged. In entry, April 10 1821, Mr. Wm Spaulding to Isaac Duren, Dr. to digging a grave and attending with the hearse &c — snow about a foot Deep - $3.00

July 31-1820, Deacon Ephraim Robbins, to Isaac Duren, Dr. to digging a grave and attending with the hearse &c. 3.00

June 17-1822, to assisting in setting up gravestones .50

From this entry one would infer the cider mill was operated by horse power -

Asa Mansfield to Isaac Duren, Dr.

"to use of mill and horse 8 1/2 1.07

By cash for horse to grind .40

to use of mill & horse 1 1/2 barrels .15

It also appears that Mr Duren did something in the line of a livery business -

"Phineas Blood Jr. to Isaac Duren, Dr.

Sept. 12–1821, to use of Buffalo up Country .33
Dec. 9–1821 to skunks oil and Bottle .50
May 12–1829 to a Buffalo Robe 5.50
Jan. 10–1831 to teaming 70 ft. of timber to the navy yard + 7.3
agreed to carry 60 feet for four Dollars.
Jan. 29–1831 to teaming ship timber 51½ feet at sixteen
+ six pence per ton 3.37½

July 9–1820 Mr Spaulding, Dr. to horse waggon to Burlington
Aug 1 " Dr. to horse waggon to Chelmsford
Aug 14 Dr. to a waggon to Cambridge 0.60
Sept 9 Dr. to horse waggon to Bedford .20
Nov. 6 to waggon to Billerica .25
(These do not look like large fees)

In Bull's History of Carlisle, p. 159.

After the meeting house was erected in 1811 and a bell purchased in the following year "it was customary to vendue the ringing of the same annually. Besides ringing the bell on Sabbath days for the religious services, the requirements usually were that it should be rung at noon each week-day. For several years, however, a departure from this rule was observed, inasmuch as the contract required that it should be rung for the first six months, reckoning from April 1, on each week day at noon, and that it be rung for the remainder of the year at 9 o'c in the evening.

In the year 1826 this undertaking was bid off by Capt. Aaron Fletcher for the sum of $14.50 which was about an average of prices paid in former years. The duties, besides ringing the bell ten minutes each time, included sweeping and dusting the church when necessary, and also cleaning away the snow in the winter time.

Mr Isaac Duren probably undertook this service more times than any other person, and often at a very low figure; for instance, in the year 1823 he took the contract for the sum of $3.75 and the following year for $3 which would appear to be almost equal to giving his services in this direction. A consideration, included in this contract, however, was that the person undertaking it should dig all the graves, and go with the hearse if requested, for which service the sum of two dollars

was allowed which was an item taken into consideration when bidding the ringing the bell."

The above statement sheds light on the items in his account book, for digging graves and attendance with hearse.

Isaac Duren Estate-

Judge Fay, on Aug-11-1835, at Concord, ordered the public sale of the personal estate of Isaac Duren who died intestate, with Mary Duren his wife Administrator.
The items sold were as follows:

	appraised value;	sold for:	Purchasers names-
4. Dickies	25	20	Harris Bingham
1 Pair of Pantaloons	75	62½	Oliver Hutchins
1 Pair of Boots	1.75	2.05	Joel Bointon
4 Cotton vests	.50	.32	Capt. E. Nickles
1 Wrapper	1.00	2.50	Harris Bingham
1 Pair of shoes	.75	.60	Capt. E. Nickles
1 Coat	4.00	6.00	Cyrus Heald
2 Training Coats	2.50	1.10	Litchfield & Parke
1 Hat and 2 caps	.33	.44	Wheler & Nickles
1 Board	.75	.85	John Parke
1 Lot of Books	3.00	.95	Buttrick & Heald
1 Bass Viol	9.00	13.00	Samuel Coleman
1 Gun &c-	6.00	10.00	Jonas Parker
1 Large Trunk	1.25	1.25	Mary E. Duren
3 Brass Candle Sticks	.50	1.15	Capt. E. Nickles
1 Bed	2.00	1.50	Tilly Green
1 Do.	1.50	2.66	Oliver Hutchins
1 Chest	.75	1.87	Tilly Green
2 Steel traps	.75	.50	Samuel Fitbush
1 Box old iron	6.00	3.29	Henry Hoar
1 Chest	.25	.37	Simon Wheeler
1 Do	.17	.17	Mary E. Duren
1 Loom	.25	0	
2 Wheels	1.00	.35	Capt. Blood
1 Clothes Hors	.30	.35	Capt. E. Nickles
9 Old Chairs	.25	.19	Nickles & Green
9 Old Jugs	.25	.29	Wheat & others
1 Bit & Bit Stock	.62	1.00	Dechester Adams
1 Pair of Doggs	.35	.62	Sumner Bower
7 Wine Glasses	18	31	Asaph Parlin
Decanter & mug	.30	.25	Wm. Buttrick
2 Platters	.45	.32	Tilly Green
1 Desk	2.00	4.00	John Parke
1 Penknife	.25	.15	Varnum Nickles
1 Clock	4.00	2.25	Job Nickles

	Prise-	sold for	Purchaser's name-
1 Flat Iron	.11	.12	Job Nickles
1 Lot of Pewter	1.40	1.35	Oliver Hutchins
1 Pair of Stilyards	.30	.65	John Park
1 Tub	.38	30	John Park
1 Beef Barrell	1.15	.32	Thomas Litchfield
1 Ox waggon	12.50	34.00	Wm. Green
1 Yoke	1.00	1.80	Martin Jacobs
3 Ploughs	3.00	.97	Wm. Simonds
2 Dung Forks	.67	.67	Nickles & Green
4 Pitch Forks	.38	.35	Farnum Nickles
4 Scythe Sneth	.33	.26	Jonas Parker
1 Wheel Barrow	1.00	.25	J. W. Wilkins
1 Lot of Axes	2.25	1.63	Wm. Green
1 Lot of Chains	2.50	2.92	Capt. E. Nickles
4 Pair of Traces	88	.80	Jonathan Parker
13 Harrow Teeth	3.00	2.75	Farnum Nickles
2 Circles	.26	.22	Heald & Centre
3 Scythes	.37	7	J. W. Wilkins
2 Saws	.37	.26	Capt. E. Nickles
1 Iron Square	.50	.70	John Park
4 Wages	.75	.32	Farnum Nickles
Iron Hoops	1.00	.50	Simonds & Heald.
1 Stove & Funel	1.50	1.12	John Parks
6 Old Casks	.50	.27	Heald & Green
9 Waggon Wheels	6.00	9.25	Wm. Buttrick
1 Cow	12.00	15.00	Asa Nutting
1 Heifer	9.00	13.00	Wm. Wilkins
1 Calf	4.00	3.87	Jonas Parker
1 Horse	60.00	42.00	Mary Duren
60 feet Boards	7.20	6.20	Franklin Proctor
1 Sled	1.00	.65	Ai Wheet
3 Cords of Wood	9.00	12.00	Farnum Nickles
Old Lumber	4.50	2.58	Cyrus Heald
1 Lot of Oats	15.00	18.50	Nickles & Buttrick
1 Pair Sheep Sears	.50	.30	Martin Jacobs
1 Brass Kettle-	3.10	.75	Mary Duren-

Durant –

Durant, Duran, Durand, Durante, Durrant, Durrent, Dureu, Durin, Durine &c –

Rev. Wm. Durant, when compiling a genealogy of these families, says: "The two earliest settlers of the name, who are known to have descendants now living, were John Durant, settled at Billerica, Mass. 1659, and George Durant, settled at Middletown, Conn. 1663. Apparently George Durant came from Maldon, County Essex, England, where his ancestors settled about 1570, being Huguenot refugees from France. He had one son, Edward and four daughters, and the latter married near Lyme, Conn., as follows: Elizabeth, with John Wade, Sarah with Amos Tinker, Abigail with Samuel Tinker, brother of Amos, and Mary (1st) with John Waller of Lyme, (2) with Samuel Shether of Killingworth, and (3) with Robert Chapman, Jr. of Saybrook."

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From Hazen's Billerica, p. 43. Gen.

John Durrant (now commonly Durant or Dureu) received a grant, Nov. 1659. His house lot was "twenty acres of land, more or less, lying on the north of the township, and on the west of ye country road that leads to Chelmsford, beginning at a white oak, just beyond the next dirty place, beyond Abbot's bridge, and so reacheth to ye bounds of William Hale, who bounds him on the north; bounded by ye road on the east; by Concord river on ye west; and by John Bracket, on the south." This "next dirty place" was the little brook by the old cemetery at the corner. Mr. Anthony Jones' farm includes most of this grant to Durrant. He m. 1670, Nov. 16 Susan Dutton, dau. of Thomas and Susanna Dutton, b. Feb. 27 – 1653/4 who became his widow, on the 1st day in 1697.

"John Durrent, Sen. dyed in prison, at Cambridge," Oct 27 – 1692. The date suggests Farmer's probable conjecture that the charge against him was witchcraft.

Children: John,[2] b. 1672, July 31.
Thomas,[2] b. 1674/5, Jan 7.
Abigail,[2] b. 1681, Sept. 24
Mehitable,[2] b. 1687, April 20.

Duren.

Record secured from manuscript book on Durant Family, by Rev. William Durant of Saratoga Springs, N.Y. and presented by him to the New England Historic Genealogical Library, 9 Ashburton Pl. Boston, Jan. 29 – 1907. He died 1914.

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John[1] Durant.

John[1] Durant received a grant of land in Billerica in 1659. He m. Susan Dutton, dau. of Thomas and Susanna ( ) Dutton of Billerica, and had, among other children, John[2], b. July 31-1672.

II

John[2] Durant, Jr. b. July 31 – 1672, d. Feb. 25 – 1757; m. Aug. 10 – 1695, Elizabeth Jaquish, probably daughter of Abraham Jaquish of Woburn. They had, among other children, Abraham, b. April 1-1709.

III

Abraham[3] Durant, b. April 1-1709, d. about 1789 ae. 80; m. May 20-1736, Rachel Manning (1714/5 – 1800) daughter of William & Elizabeth (French) Manning. Their children were:

1. Abraham[4], b. Oct. 4-1737, m. Lydia Gould of Chelmsford, Nov. 1 1764. He d. Nov. 6-1776.
2. Jonathan[4], b. Billerica, Aug. 20-1739; m. April 13-1763, Anna[5] Wilkins of Concord, Mass., dau. of Timothy[4] and Anna (Smith) Wilkins.
3. Martha[4], b. June 11-1741, m. July 17-1769, Jonas Priest of Groton.
4. Rachel[4], b. May 6-1743, m. Leonard Wilson, Dec. 17-1761.
5. Joseph[4], b. Feb. 6-1744/5.
6. Reuben[4], b. Feb. 29-1747/8
7. Jonas[4], b. June 4-1751, m. Dec. 17-1776, Esther Jones of Bedford, Mass. (Carlisle vital records state: "— — w. Jonas Duren, d. Oct. 30-1820" The Duren death book states: "Jonas Duren d. Jan. 3-1825 aged 77. Killed by falling down stairs".)
8. Asa[4], b. July 15-1753.
9. Sarah[4], b. Nov. 4-1757, m. Daniel Whitney of Stow, Mass.

IV

Reuben[4] Duren, b. Feb. 29-1747/8, d. Billerica, Jan. 4-1821 ae 73. m. 1st. Mary Walker; 2nd. Jan. 11-1770, Mary Gould, sister of Lydia who m. his brother Abraham[4] Duren. The second marriage is the only one mentioned where he is listed among the children of Abraham[3]. But later on, when he comes up as head of a family, the heading is "Children

of Reuben[4] and Mary Walker" and one child is given, Lewis Duren.

Reuben[4] Duren lived in Bedford until 1792 when he purchased a tavern at the corner and kept it for several years, until he removed to New Ipswich, N. H. He was architect of churches and bridges. He built the Stearns house in Bedford, Mass., (erected as the residence for the minister) his second house as an architect. He won a premium for a model of a bridge over the Merrimack River.

Children by first wife; Mary Walker:

1. Reuben[5], b. Billerica, Sept. 12-1768, m. Susanna Russell

Children by second wife, Mary Gould:

2. Eli, b. Sept. 21-1770.
3. Mary, b. 1771, m. Stephen Parker
4. Reuben, b. Aug. 14-1775, Bedford, Mass. d. Augusta, Maine, 1832, m. Sarah Conant of Concord.
5. Asa, b. Bedford, May 11-1778, m. Hannah Russ.
6. Joel, b. June 22-1780, m. Lydia Conant of Concord; d. 1812 at Governor's Island, Mass.
7. Nathaniel Gould, b. Nov. 26-1781, m. Sally Pritchard. He changed his name to Nathaniel Duren Gould, lived with an uncle in New Ipswich, N. H.; became a famous penman and music teacher.
8. Joseph, b. July 30-1784, in Bedford. m. Lucinda Clark
9. Elnathan, b. Bedford, Oct. 8-1786, m. Elizabeth Freeman.

V

Reuben[5] Duren, b. Billerica, Sept. 12-1768, bp. Oct. 30-1768. d. Carlisle, May 20-1819, ae. 51. The manuscript says: "It is conjectured that he was the one of this name who m. Carlisle, Jan 6-1795, Susannah Russell, dau. of James and Lydia (Potter) Russell. A deed of Sept. 11-1813 shows Susanna Russell's connections. She and husband Reuben Duren, with Daniel Wheat and wife Bette and Hannah Green, widow, all of Carlisle, sold to James Russell of Carlisle, all their title to real estate of said James Russell (i.e. Sr.) and all their right to reversion to the above of Lydia Russell, widow. In her will, also, Susanna Duren names her two brothers and two sisters, James Russell, Jacob Russell, Bette Wheat, Hannah Green.

In a deed of Feb. 4-1795, he was named Reuben Duren of Carlisle, cooper, when he bought half of Isaac Wilkins' farm and buildings in Carlisle.

Children of Reuben[5] and Susanna (Russell) Duren:

1. Isaac[6], b. Carlisle, June 6-1795, d. May 27-1835, m. July 4-1816, Mary Blood (1796-1873)
2. George, b. Carlisle, Oct 1803, d. May 9-1804.

VI

Isaac[6] Duren, b. Carlisle, June 6-1795, d. Carlisle, May 27-1835, m. July 4-1816, Mary Blood, b. April 12-1796, d. March 12-1873, dau. of Fradrick & Elizabeth (Green) Blood of Carlisle.

children:

1. George Frederick[7], b. Carlisle, April 13-1817, d. May 18-1894, m. July 6-1843, Lucy Ann F. Pease of Wilton, Maine, b. April 20-1822, d. March 7-1905.
2. Mary Elizabeth, b. Dec. 12-1818, d. April 24-1843.
3. Susan Maria, b. June 4-1820, d. Sept. 20-1844
4. Martha Augusta, b. Jan. 14-1822, m. April 14-1844, Nathaniel[6] Hutchinson; ch: Hiram Nathaniel[9], = Mar. 29-1846
5. Nancy Blood, b. June 3-1824, d. Sept. 13-1853, m. April 21-1842, Prescott Nickles. (1814-1884).

VII

George Frederick[7] Duren, b. April 13-1817, d. May 18-1894 m. Lucy Ann F. Pease, July 6-1843. dau. of William and Sarah (Dolley) Pease of Wilton, Maine. She d. March 7-1905. ae 82-10-17

children:

1. Isaac Frederick, b. Oct. 31-1844, d. Oct. 21-1912; m. June 22-1879, Mary Lewis of Lunenburg, Mass. b. Lunenburg May 8-1850, d. April 1-1917, Cambridge, Mass. (Hospital)
   ch: Arthur Frederick, b. Sept. 7-1885.
2. George Thompson, b. May 19-1850, d. July 24-1851.
3. Hermon Leslie, b. Jan. 30-1852, d. Dec. 11-1919. m. Lottie (Charlotte) Lewis of Lunenburg, Mass., (sister of Mary, above.) April 16-1879. She was born Nov. 25-1855, d. 1924. dau. of Ithra & Charlotte A. (Brown) Lewis.
   ch: Roy Leslie, b. Oct. 26-1881, d. Nov. 16-1932.
   Ethel Marion, b. March 12-1891.
4. Charles Marshman, b. April 9-1854, d. Sept. 28-1854.
5. George Rozalrin[8], b. May 18-1858, d. Dec. 6-1921, m. Marie Ouillette of Lowell, Mass. Jan. 1-1909; b. Isleverte, Quebec, Dec. 5-1873, d. Carlisle, Sept. 27-1936.

6. Mary Francirilla, b. March 27-1865, d. June 2-1909
m. Sept. 4-1887, John Melvin. (He m. 2nd. Martha Davis, dau. of John Proctor and Lucretia (Hunn) Davis). No issue.

VIII

George Rozalvin[8] Duren, b. May 18-1858, d. Dec. 6-1921. m. Jan. 1-1909, Marie Ouellette of Lowell, Mass. b. Isle Verte, Quebec, Dec. 5-1873, d. Carlisle, Mass. Sept. 27-1936.
children:
1. Lucy Marie[9], b. April 28-1910; m. Allan Donald Kennedy-1939
2. Florence Lewis, b. June 10-1912
m. June 14-1930, Meredith Kingsley Church
ch: 1.
2. Betty

In the Central Burying Ground in Carlisle there is a Duren gravestone upon which the price is engraved.
" George Duren, died May 9-1804 aged 5 m. & 20 days, son of Mr. Reuben and Suc.a Duren.
"Let none on future time rely
For none can be too young to die".
$2.83.

Delta Blanche, widow of Roy L. Duren, d. Dec. 26-1936 and was buried in Carlisle; aged 54 yrs 3 mos.

Pease-Duren line.

I Stephen Pease — m. Lucy ——
II William Pease — m. Sarah Dolley — Wilton Maine 1818
III Lucy A. F. Pease — m. George F. Duren — Concord Mass 1843
IV George R. Duren — m. Marie Tiulette
V Lucy Duren.

Dolley ancestry.

John Dolley[1] — m. Sarah Goddard — in England.
Samuel Dolley[2] — m. Mary Malcome
Sarah Dolley[3] — m. William Pease
Lucy A. F. Pease — m. George F. Duren — Concord Mass 1843
George R. Duren, — m. Marie Tiulette
Lucy Duren.

Samuel Dolley[2] is said to be the first male child born in what is now Portland, Maine. Mary Malcome his wife was born on Cape Ann.

Sarah Dolley[3], b. North Yarmouth, Maine.
d. Carlisle, April 14 – 1876 aged 87 yrs 1 m. 12 days
m. William Pease, 1818, Wilton, Maine.
daughter of Samuel[2] & Mary (Malcolm) Dolley.
Samuel Dolley[2], b. Portland, Maine
Mary Malcolm, b. Cape Ann, Mass.

Dolley Records-

John Dolley[1] } married in England-
Sarah Goddard }

children :- Samuel Dolley[2] who m. Mary Malcome
John Dolley[2] " m. Sarah ___

Samuel Dolley[2], b. Portland, Maine, and said to be the first male child born in what is now Portland, Maine-
Mary Malcome, b. Cape Ann- Mass-
married :
children : Samuel, Sarah[3], b. March 2-1789 at No. Yarmouth, Maine (and m. William Pease) Lamie, Daniel, William, James, and Jane-

Sarah Dolley, b. March 2-1789, d-
William Pease, b Aug 3-1784, d Wilton, Me, winter of 1867-8
married, Dec- 1818 at Wilton, Maine-
4. children :- Mary Jane, Lucy Ann Ficket, Samuel Alexander, Silas William.

Pease Records.

I Stephen Pease, b. April 15 – 1749, moved to Farmington or Wilton Maine about 1791. He married Lucy - - - - - - - b. Jan. 3 - 1756.
They had 13 children:

Abraham, b. Aug. 18 – 1775
Isaac, b. Sept. 11 – 1777, m. Temperance - - - - b. July 23 – 1777 d. Oct 13 – 1844.
Buler, b. Dec. 9 – 1779
Polly, died young
Jemima, " "
William, b. Aug 3 – 1784, m. Sarah Colley
Lucy, b. Nov. 19 – 1790
Lorey, b. Nov. 14 – 1792, m.
Nancy, b. Nov. 22 – 1794
Jemima (Mima) b. May 3 – 1801, m. Abiel Cheney; no issue.

II William Pease, b. Martha's Vineyard, Mass., Aug 3 – 1784, d. Wilton, Maine, winter of 1867/8. He married Sarah Colley b. March 2 – 1789 at No. Yarmouth, Me. married in Wilton, Dec. - - - 1818 by Rev. Dr. N. Whittemore. She was daughter of Samuel and Mary (Malcome) Colley.
Children:

Mary Jane Pease
Lucy Ann Ticket Pease, b. April 20 – 1822, m. George F. Duren of Carlisle, Mass
Samuel Alexander Pease } twins, b. Dec. 25 - - - - -
Silas William Pease }

III Lucy Ann Ticket Pease, b. Wilton, Me. April 20 – 1822, died in Carlisle, Mass. March 7 – 1905. She married George Frederick Duren, July 6 – 1843 at Concord Mass. He was b. April 13 – 1817 and d. May 18 – 1894 in Carlisle.
6 children: Isaac Frederick
George Thompson
Hermon Leslie
George Rozalvin
Charles Marsuman
Mary Francivilla.

I Stephen Pease and Lucy his wife.
II Isaac Pease and Temperance, his wife
ch: Joanna Pease, b. June 11 – 1815, m. James Bugbee
Dorkes Pease, b. Sept. 6 – 1812, m. Rev. J. H. Conant
Stephen Pease, b. Oct. 7 – 1817, m. Martha Knowlts
[illegible]

Pease-Beignall-

Joanna Pease, b- June 11-1815, d. Nashua, N. H.
m- James Beignall (who d- in Nashua-) Jan. 31-1832.
children: Joseph, Joseph, Curtis, Nellie-
Nellie m. (1st) a Mr. Bennett and had Walter E. and Herbert.
Walter died in Billerica leaving married twice, 1st in Hudson, N. H and 2nd- in Billerica.
Herbert died in Nashua, N. H. leaving a widow and one daughter-
Nellie m. (2nd) Mr ------- Farley- No issue-

Pease Marriage dates-

William Pease m. Sarah Dolley, Dec- 1818
Lucy Ann F. Pease m- George F. Duren July 6-1843-
Joanna Pease m. James Beignall Jan 31-1832
Dorcas Pease m- Rev- Joseph Howard Conant, Nov-6-1839-
He died in Nashua, N. H. and is buried there- Had son Fermon.
Sewall Pease m- Nancy Trask, March- 1840
Stephen Pease m. Marilla Knowles, March 26-1848-

From Lucy A. F. (Pease) Duren's private records:
"Grandmother Lucy Pease's sisters, Lorey, m- Jacob Chandler; another sister m. Benjamin Luce; Polly m. a Butterfield; Jemima m- a Hatch- Grandmothers brothers were Samuel and Abishar- (Their family name was not given.)

Jonathan[4] Durant (Abraham[3], John[2,1])
son of Abraham[3] and Rachel (Manning) Durant.
b. Billerica, Mass. Aug. 20-1739, d. 1780.
m. April 13-1763, Anna Wilkins, dau. of Timothy and Anna (Smith) Wilkins of Concord, Mass. He went to Hillsboro, N.H. early in its settlement and was at the Battle of Bunker Hill. He was, for three years, in the Revolutionary war.
children:

1. Anna, b. Billerica, Dec. 30-1764
2. Betty, bp. Billerica, Aug. 10-1766; m. Sept. 17-1788, Elias Greenleaf.
3. Joseph, b. April 14-1769, m. April 3-1793, Sarah Gilson of New Ipswich, N.H.; removed to Springfield, Vt. died at Brandon, Vt. May 23-1855

See Browne's History of Hillsboro, N.H.

Reuben[5] Durant, (1775-1832)
son of Abraham[4] and 2nd wife, Mary (Gould) Durant.
b. Billerica, Aug. 4-1775, d. Augusta, Maine, Feb. 13-1832.
m. Oct. 20-1799, Sarah Conant, daughter of Eli Conant of Concord, Mass.
children:

1. Charles Cushing, b. Sept. 2-1800, d. Feb. 5-1801
2. Infant, b. & d. 1802.
3. Alfred, b. May 4-1804, sailed from Boston 1829 and never heard from.
4. Rufus Gardner, b. March 9-1806, d. Jan. 9-1807, b. in Augusta, Me.
5. Andrew
6. Alexander Bowers.
7. Sarah Ann
8. George.

Durrant.

Hazen's Billerica, p. 43, Gen.

I

John[1] Durrant (now commonly Durant or Duren) received a grant 1654, November. His house lot was "twenty acres of land, more or less, lying on the north of the township, and on the west of ye country road that leads to Chelmsford, beginning at a white oak, just beyond the next dirty place, beyond Abbot's bridge, and so reacheth to ye bounds of William Tyler, who bounds him on the north; bounded by ye road on the east; by Concord river on ye west; and by John Bracket on the south." This "next dirty place" was the little brook by the old cemetery at the corner. Mr. Anthony Jones farm includes most of this grant to Durrent. He m. 1670, Nov. 16. Susan Dutton, dau. of Thomas and Susanna ( ) Dutton, b. Feb. 27-1653/4 who became his neighbor on the east, in 1669. "John Durrent, Sen. died in prison at Cambridge" Oct. 27-1692 The date suggests Farmer's probable conjecture that the charge against him was witchcraft.

ch: John[2], b. 1672, July 31
Thomas[2] b. 1674/5, Jan. 7
Abigail[2] b. 1681, Sept 24
Melitable, b. 1687, April 20

II

John[2] Durrent, son of John[1] and Susanna (Dutton) Durrent, b. 1672, July 31; m. 1695, Aug. 10 Elizabeth Jaquish, dau. probably of Abraham Jaquish of Woburn. He d. 1757, Feb. 25.

ch: John[3], b. 1696, Aug 14.
Elizabeth, b. 1698, Sept
Thomas, b. 1701, Oct
Abigail b. 1703/4, March 16
Esther, b. 1707, June 10, m. 1738/9, Feb. 22 Joseph Brooks of Concord.
Abraham[3] b. 1709, April 1
Melittabel b. 1711 April 1
Sary, b. 1712, June 15; perhaps m. 1744, July 5. John Teel, Charlestown.

III

John[3] Durrant, b. 1696, Aug. 14, son of John[2] and Elizabeth (Jaquish) Durrant; m. Hannah ---

(over)

ch: John[4], b. 1722, Aug. 24.
Thomas[4], b. 1725, May 2, m. Anne (Nichols?)
William[4], b. 1727, Nov. 7; m. Feb. 16-1749. Mary Dutch of Wilmington
Perhaps Sibbel, who m. Jonas Robbins, Feb. 27-1764 in Billerica

III

Abraham[3] Durrant, son of John[2] and Susanna (Dutton) Durrant, b. April 1-1709, m. 1736, May 20-Rachel Manning, dau. of William and Elizabeth (Francis) Manning, b. 1714/5 Feb. 17.

ch: Abraham[4], b. 1737, Oct 4.
Jonathan[4], b. 1739, Aug 20; m. 1763, April 17, Anna Williams of Concord;
ch: Anna[5], b. 1764, Dec. 30
Betty[5], bp. 1766, Aug. 10
Joseph[5], b. 1768, May 1
Martha[4], b. 1741, June 11, m. 1769, July 17, Jonas Priest of Groton.
Rachel[4], b. 1743, May 6, m. Leonard Wilson
Joseph[4], b. 1744/5, Feb. 6
Reuben[4], b. 1747/8, Feb. 29
Jonas[4], b. 1751, June 4, m. 1776, Dec. 7, Esther Jones of Bedford.
Asa[4], b. 1753, July 15
Sarah[4], b. 1757, Nov. 4, m. Daniel Whitney of Stow.

IV

Reuben[4] Durrant, son of Abraham & Rachel (Manning) Durrant, b. Feb. 29-1747/8, m. 1770, Jan. 11, Mary Gould of Chelmsford. He lived in Bedford until 1792 when he purchased the tavern at the corner (Billerica) and kept it several years. He was architect of churches and bridges; d. 1821, Jan 4. His wife d. 1823, Oct. 16-aged 77.

See another record of Reuben[4] and his first wife, Mary Walker.

Children of Reuben[4] and Mary Gould; his second wife;
Eli[5], b. 1770, Sept. 21, d. 1771, July 22.
Mary[5], b. 1771, Dec. 7, m. Stephen Parker, son of John and Abigail (Kidder) Parker. She d. Oct 11-1801.
Reuben[5], b. 1775, Aug. 4, Bedford; d. Augusta, Me. Feb. 13-1832; m. Sarah Conant of Concord, dau. of Eli, Oct. 20-1799.
Asa[5], b. 1778, May 11, d. in New York; m. Hannah Russ

and had Cynthia, b. 1800 and Sen, b. Jan. 14-1802.

Joel[5], b. 1780, June 22. m. Lydia Grant of Concord.

Nathaniel Gould[5], b. 1781, Nov. 26 - m. Sally Prichard.
He changed his name to Nathaniel Duren Smith, 1816

Joseph[5], b. 1784, July 30 - m. Lucinda Clark; lived in Swanton and other towns in northern Vermont, drew pension for wound received in war of 1812. d. Middlebury, 1853, June 8.

Elnathan[5], b. 1786, Oct. 8 - m. 1811, Dec. 10 Elizabeth Freeman. She d. 1815, Aug. 28. He m. 1834, Sept. 16, Mary Willard. Lived in Boston, Charlestown, N. H. and other towns; spent his last years in Bangor. Had two sons.
(1) Elnathan Freeman,[6] b. Boston, 1814, Jan 14,
(2) Charles[6], b. 1815, June 28, Congregational minister in Maine, Minnesota and Vermont.

Abel[5], b. 1788, July 8, m. Nancy and Abigail Allen, d. 1829.

Charles[5], b. 1791, Jan. 20, d. 1796, July 13.

Reuben[4] Duren built some of the first class dwelling houses of Bedford, Mass. of which Col. Timothy Jones' and Rev. Mr. Penniman's mansions were specimens. He lived in Bedford until 1792 when he purchased a tavern in Billerica, which he kept until he removed to N. H. In the history of New Ipswich he is noticed as a resolute and enterprising man, and was distinguished as a builder of meeting houses. He received a premium for a model for a bridge over Merrimack River at Pawtucket Falls, against many competitors.

The Rev. Samuel Stearns house, Bedford, erected for Rev. Joseph Penniman, third minister in Bedford, was the second house of which Reuben Duren was the architect.

IV

Abraham[4] Duren -

Abraham[4] Duren, son of Abraham[3] and Rachel (Manning) Durant, b. Billerica, 16 Sept. 1776, d. 14 Oct. 1822, ae 46 yrs. He m. Woburn, Mass., 25 Oct. 1801, with Mary Russell who was b. 6 Dec. 1781, - d. 28 May - 1864 ae. 83 yrs. Her father was Jesse Russell and her mother Huldah Reed, dau. of Timothy and Huldah (Locke) Reed. (See p. 51 of Durant ms. book for more on this line.)

IV

Jonathan[4] Duren

Jonathan[4] Durant, son of Abraham[3] and Rachel (Manning) Durant, b. Billerica, 20 Aug. - 1739, d. Hillsboro, N. H. about 1810. He m. April 13 - 1763 with Anna Wilkins, dau. of Timothy Wilkins of Concord, Mass.

Jonathan[4] Durant served three years in the Army of the Revolution, according to the account written by Nathaniel[5] Duren Gould in 1853, who added: "He removed in early life in 1776 and settled in the town of Hillsboro, N. H. when there were but few inhabitants there. We have often heard our father (Reuben[4] Duren) tell of his journeying thither, when young, through the forests to build a home for his mother - He (Jonathan[4]) was at the battle of Bunker Hill. Jonathan[4] paid taxes in Hillsboro 1776-77-78-79-80. and was mentioned at the head of a family as early as 1767 having come from Billerica, Mass."

IV

Jonas[4] Durant, so recorded at Billerica, Mass. where he was born 4 June - 1751, but elsewhere commonly called "Duren". He m. Dec. 7 - 1776, Esther Jones of Bedford, who d. Carlisle, 30 Oct. 1820. His name is on the state roll of those who served in the Revolution, as "Jonas Durant of Billerica" in 1775 and 1778; also as Jonas Duren of Bedford from 1780 to 1782.

Jonas and wife Esther with their children born in Bedford, Abraham[5], b. July 15 - 1778; Anna[5], b. Oct. 9 - 1781; Rebekah[5], were warned away from Lincoln, Mass, 13 Sept. 1785 having come thither from Bedford, 29 Dec. 1784.

Jonas Durant of Carlisle, "labourer", bought a small piece of land there, 27 Oct. 1797.

Jonas Durant, yeoman, of Carlisle, sold his house and land to the town, 7 March 1821, noting his age as then 70 years.

Duren records in Carlisle state: Jonas Duren died Jan 3 - 1825

age 77, killed by falling down stairs - but in John Jacob's Memorandum Book, he records: Jonas Duren died Jan 4-1826.

From Carlisle Town Records I find the following:

Betsey Durant, dau. of Jonas Durant, was bound out to Eliakim Hutchins until she was eighteen years old, April 9-1810.

Asa Duren, son of Jonas Duren, was bound out to John Waters, Jr. until he was twenty-one, May 30-1808.

Rachel Durant was said by George F. Duren of Carlisle, to be daughter of Jonas[4] Duren. She was b. about 1794 and d. 1881, aged 87. She m. at Carlisle, 13 Dec. 1819, with Jacob Fred of Acton, Mass.

IV

Thomas[4] Durant.

Thomas[4] Durant, b. May 2-1725, son of John[3] and Hannah ( ) Durant, m. Anne (Nichols?) and had the following

ch: Melitable[5], b. Carlisle, Nov. 13-1758

John[5] b. " May 13-1760, m. Sept. 30-1791, Azubah Nickless of Billerica

Leafe[5] b. Carlisle, Feb. 10-1763, d. Carlisle, Sept 3-1853 aged 91. She m. (1st) Samuel Spaulding of Chelmsford, Jan 21-1790, at Chelmsford, and (2nd) Philo Litchfield son of Rev. Paul Litchfield of Carlisle.

Willard,[5] b. Carlisle, Feb. 8-1766, d. Carlisle, March 2 1859 aged 93. m. Mary Nickless of Billerica, Dec. 10-1789.

Abi[5], b. Carlisle, Feb. 17-1769,

Alford[5], b. Dec. 12-1771, Carlisle, d. Carlisle Feb. 6-1773.

Percis[5], b. Carlisle, Oct. 20-1774.

V

John[5] Duren.

John[5] Duren, son of Thomas[4] and Anne (Nichols?) b. May 13-1760, m. Sept. 30-1791, Azubah Nickless of Billerica.

ch: 1. John[6], b. about July 1793, d. 22 Feb. 1874 aged 80 yrs 8 m. m. 10 Feb. 1819, Anna Spaulding, b. Feb. 11-1795, dau. of Benoni and Lydia[5] (Duren) Spaulding.

2. Charles[6]

3. Asa[6], b. 1796, d. Carlisle, 3 Sept. 1877 aged 81. He m. Sept. 3-1821, Lorey Littlehale, dau. of Abraham and Rebecca (Breed) Littlehale, b. 1794, d. 5 Jan. 1884 ae 90.

Made Will 19 June 1875 naming wife Lorey, sons George[7] Asa[7] and grandchildren Ellen Amanda, John Henry, Thomas Albert.
Lorey was sister of Rebecca Littlehale who m. Willard[6] Duren.

4. Alexander[6], lived in Kingston, N.H. m. Abigail Stuart.
5. Azubah[6], lived in West Billerica - No facts.
6. Joseph[6], m.(1st) Dorothy Blaisdell, 6 Sept. 1823 at Chelmsford, who was a widow, daughter of Jacob Robbins. She d. Ryer's City (Village?), near Lowell, 23 Jan. 1859.
7. William[6], m.(1st) 21 March 1824, Esther Spaulding, b. Billerica, 3 Sept. 1799. d. 1828, dau. of Thomas and Prudence (Shed) Spaulding and sister of Sybil who was the first wife of Samuel Russell[6] Duren of Woburn (according to Hazen) but Willard[7] writes she was daughter of Zebulun Spaulding, then he adds that William m. (2nd) Maria Wyer and lived in New Hampshire.

V

Leafe[5] Duren (Thomas[4] & Ann)

Leafe[5] Duren, b. Feb. 10 - 1763, m. (1st) at Carlisle, 21 Jan. 1790, with Samuel Spaulding of Chelmsford who was b. there 3 March 1737, d. 16 March - 1819 aged 82, son of Jonathan & Sarah Spaulding. Leafe[5] m. (2nd) 8 May 1823, with Philo Litchfield, son of Rev. Paul Litchfield. She was 20 years older than he. It was his 2nd. marriage. She d. Sept. 3 - 1853 at the age of 91 years, and six month before Philo did. His death occurred Feb. 22 - 1854, aged 71.

V

Willard[5] Duren (Thomas[4] & Ann).

Willard[5] Duren, b. 8 Feb. 1766 at Carlisle, d. there 2 March, 1859, aged 93. He m. there 10 Dec. 1789, with Mary Nickless of Billerica. Hazen's record makes her daughter of Robert & Esther Nickles, b. June 12 - 1753, but names her husband as "John Durant."

Willard Duren of Billerica, cooper, bought 8 acres there June 24, 1795 which he mortgaged the same day to Isaac Stearns. On April 10 - 1798 styled "of Billerica, labourer", Willard Duren bought of Reuben[4] Duren of Billerica, a house and one acre of land in Carlisle which he sold Dec. 25 - 1800 to John Nickless. Jr.

Willard[5] was styled "yeoman" as also Dec. 24-1804 when he bought 6 acres and a small house in Carlisle from John Nickles, but he was again styled "cooper" when he mortgaged the last piece of land, Dec. 31-1816.

He made his will Dec. 18-1858 as "of Carlisle, gentleman". His will names the following: his daughter Anna[6] Wilkinson (m. Robert Wilkinson at Carlisle, Jan. 1-1818); Hannah[6] Green (b. July 2-1802, d. Lowell, m. 1st) Mr ..... Pushee and had daughter Hannah[7] Pushee; (2nd) John Green who d. Lowell); Willard[6] b. July 12-1797, d. Topsham, Vt. Feb. 1878 ae. 81. m. (1st) at Carlisle, May 25-1817, Rebecca Littlehale of Tyngsboro; m. (2nd) Mirilly Merrill, who d. at Topsham, Vt.

"Willard[6] Duren, Jr. of Carlisle, cooper" and his wife Rebecca mortgaged to Zebulun Spaulding of Carlisle, Feb. 13-1824, 27 acres of land that formerly belonged to John Nickles.

Mary (Nickles) Duren married (2nd), March 4-1813, Aaron Stearns, and (3rd) Jacob Blaisdell. It seems there must have been a divorce, as she was not a widow in 1813.

Children of Willard and Mary:

1. Mary, b. July 17-1794, m. Stearns
2. Willard, b. Jan. 2-1797, m. Rebecca Littlehale, May 25-1817.
3. Anna, b. July 20-1799, m. Robert Wilkerson, Jan 1-1818.
4. Hannah, b. July 2-1802.

Willard Duren's will, dated Dec. 18-1858, calls himself "Gentleman" from Carlisle. He gives his daughter Anna Wilkerson, and daughter Hannah Green, and son Willard Duren, one dollar each, to be paid within a year after his decease.

To his daughter Mary Stearns he bequeathes all his household furniture, "the use and income of all the rest and residue of my estate, real, personal and mixed, of which I shall die seized and possessed, or to which I shall be entitled at the time of my decease, I give devise and bequeath to my daughter Mary Stearns, and to Pauline Shurtleff my grand-daughter during their natural life, and at their decease the real estate to be divided equally between all my surviving children."

V

John[5] Duren (Thomas[4] & Ann)

John[5] Duren, b. May 13-1760, living as late as 1808 but died before Oct. 1824. He m. at Carlisle, Sept. 30-1791, with Azubah Nichols of Billerica (Carlisle records give it correctly as Azubah Nickless). John Duren of Billerica and his wife Azubah, sold 30 acres of land, a dwelling and barn in Billerica, March 15-1805 to Stephen Nickles and Abel Nickless, of Carlisle, and Ebenezer Faste of Billerica. John[5] Duren and wife Azubah, of Carlisle, gave a mortgage, Sept. 27-1808. Azubah Duren of Carlisle, "single woman" possibly widow of John[5] Duren, Oct. 2-1824, bought for $30 property of Nathaniel Stearns, of Carlisle, yeoman, and sold it same date to same Nathaniel Stearns "during his natural life" for $50.

(From Ms. book in the New Eng. Hist. Genealogical Library, Boston, titled "John Durant of Billerica, Mass. and his Descendants", 1659-1906.)

Billerica Record:

John Durant of Carlisle (son of Thomas & Ann) m. Azubah Nichols Sept. 30-1791 in Carlisle. Mrs Azubah Duren of Billerica m. Nathaniel Sterns, int. April 6-1822, Carlisle.

Mrs. A. W. Hodgman found a record where Azubah m. (3rd) - a Mr. William Sanderson of Billerica, at Carlisle, July 31-1831.

From Carlisle Records:

Ch: Asa Duren, b. Billerica,
d. Sept. 2-1877 aged 80 yrs 6 m. 5 days.
son of John, b. Billerica & Zubia, b. Billerica.

V

Lexington, Mass. records.

Warren[5] Duren (Abraham[4], Abraham[3], Abraham[2], John[1]) was b. Billerica, April 14-1809, d. Aug. 18-1884, second son of Abraham b. Sept. 16-1776, and grandson of Abraham and Lydia (Ford) Duren. His mother was Mary Russell, dau. of Jesse Russell of Woburn. He was descended from John Durant, as the family used to spell the name, who died in prison at Cambridge, a victim of the witchcraft delusion.

He came to Lexington in Sept. 1850; served on the board of assessors and of overseers of the poor.

He m. (1st) June 2-1833, Mary Ann Marrett, d. Oct 4-1839, dau. of Rev. Daniel & Mary[6] (Muzzey) Marrett of Standish, Maine; he m. (2nd) Oct. 18-1848, Mary Chandler, b. May 22-1819, d. Aug 1-189-, dau. of William[6] Chandler. He had a child by the first wife, b.

Lexington:
1. Caroline Augusta, b. Oct. 25 - 1845, d. May 13 - 1852.

V

Asa[5] Duren (Reuben[4] + Mary Gould)
From Durant MS. in Boston.

Asa[5] Duren, son of Reuben[4] and Mary (Gould) Duren, b. Bedford, May 11 - 1778, m. 1800, Hannah Russ of Salisbury, N.H. who died there, Sept. 1841.

He worked for his father and learned the carpenter's trade. Soon after his marriage he began business as a wheelwright in the middle of the town of Billerica. About 1807 he removed to Boston, and assisted in building the Park Street Congregational Church. Later he engaged in business as a wheelwright in Springfield, Vt. for a year or two; and thence moved to some part of New York State. In 1853 he had not been heard from for several years.

VI

Asa[6] Duren (John[5] and Azubah Nichless)

Asa[6] Duren, b. Billerica 1796, d. Carlisle, Sept. 3 - 1877 aged 81 yrs. (Carlisle vital records give Sept. 2 - 1877, age 80 yrs 6 m. - 5 days).
He m. Sept. 3 - 1821, in Carlisle, Lorey[6] (Lorinia) Little Dale, b. in Tyngsboro, April 18 - 1794, and d. in Carlisle, Jan. 3 - 1884 aged 89 yrs. 8 mos. - 15 days.; daughter of Abraham[5] and Rebecca (Breed) Littlehale of Tyngsboro.

Children: 1. Asa[7], b. Dec. 19 - 1821, d. Nov. 12 - 1902 aged 80 yrs 10 m. - 23 d.
m. Sarah Stearns of Billerica.

2. Thomas[7], b. Carlisle, May 12 - 1823, d. in the Civil War, May 16 - 1864 aged 39 yrs.
m. Margaret Black, b. Feb. 24 - 1834, d. Carlisle, Sept. 22 - 1907, aged 73 yrs 6 m. - 28 days.
Ch: John[8] and Thomas.[8]

3. William[7], (cripple) unmarried; b. Carlisle about 1828, d. Carlisle Aug. 19 - 1863. He lived at one time on the George French farm - (east Carlisle). He insisted on spelling his name Durant until it brought some legal complication, after which he resumed the family spelling of Duren.

4. George[7], b. Carlisle, Sept. 3 - 1830, d. Lowell, June 15 - 1913 aged 82 yrs 9 m. - 18 days. He m. (1st) Martha -------

and 2nd, Jennie Estelle Hodgman. She m. 2nd. Rev. Henry A. Cornell.

VII

Asa[7] Duren (Asa[6] and Lorey Little Dale),

Asa[7] Duren, b. Carlisle Dec. 19-1821, d. Carlisle, Nov. 12-1902 ae. 70/10/23. son of Asa[6] and Lorey (Little Dale) Duren; he m. in Carlisle, Sept. 18 1859, Sarah Maria Stearns, b. Billerica, April 17-1838, d. Carlisle, Feb. 2-1911 aged 72/9/15.; dau. of Franklin and Sally (Stone) Stearns of Billerica.

Ch: 1. Frank[8], b. 1862, d. Aug. 27-1866 aged 4 years.

2. Warren Chester[8], b. 1867, d. Carlisle, Sept. 19-1936 age 69-10-14.

m. 1903, Minnie E. Kenney, also given as Mary E. Kinney.; dau. of Samuel and Emma (Howe) Kenney.

Ch: 1. Kenneth Warren[9], b. Carlisle, Aug 11-1905.

2. Samuel Edward, b.

3. Florence Emma, b. Carlisle, March 8-1916.

4. Alan b.

5. Frances Amora, b. Oct 9-1908.

VII

Frederick[7] Durant

From Durant MS. in Boston.

Frederick[7] Durant, b. Chelmsford, 1832, living in 1887 in East Corinth, Vermont. Married in Lowell, Mass. Aug 6-1859, Lois P. Gilson of that city, who was b. Temple, N. H. 1841, living in 1887, dau. of Samuel P. and Lucetta (Burroughs) Gilson. Ch: Sarah Lucetta (b. March 2-1864?)

Frederick[7] lived in North Billerica and was a farmer at date of marriage. Later he dwelt in Marlboro, N. H. in 1860; Lowell, 1861; Carlisle 1861-64, Topsham Vt. 1866 till after 1883. Served in 2nd. Mass. Cavalry during the Civil War - and became member of Ransom Post, G. A. R. East Corinth, Vt.

VII

Lorria[7] Duren (Willard[6], Willard[5]) (Duren MS.)

Lorria[7] Duren, b. Carlisle m. there, Otis Nickles, brother of Asa Nickles who m. Olive Spaulding, dau. of Edward.

Ch:

VII

Thomas[7] Duren (Asa[6] & Lorey Littlehale)

Thomas[7] Duren, b. Carlisle, May 12 1823, d. May 16 1904
son of Asa[6] and Lorey (Littlehale) Duren.
m. Margaret Black, b. Feb. 24 - 1834 d. Carlisle, Sept 25 - 1907
aged 73 yrs. 6 m. 28 d.
Thomas[7] Duren died in the Civil war, at Madison, Indiana.
ch: John[8], m. Minnie E. Chamberlin
Thomas Albert[8] m. Alice Nelson
Nellie (or Ellen)[8] m. Fay; res. Vermont, at Sharon.
George[8], m. (1) Martha (2) Jennie Estelle Hodgman.

VIII

Thomas Albert[8] Duren (Thomas[7] & Margaret Black)

Thomas[8] Albert Duren, b. Jan 2 - 1851, d. Nov 1922
son of Thomas[7] and Margaret (Black) Duren.
He m. Alice M. Nelson, dau. of and Laura
(Chamberlin) Nelson, April 29 - 1891
ch: 1. Nellie Maude[9], b. Aug. 14 - 1895, Wolcott, Vermont.
m. Roy Bertram Hodgman of Concord, Mass.
ch: Barbara, b. Concord, Sept. 15 - 1917.
Roy Bertram, Jr. b. Sept. 20 - 1920.
2. Isabel Watson[9], b.
m. Lexington, Mass. Aug. 25 - 1925, Louis Edward Kelley
of Bedford, Mass.
3. Henry Nelson[9], b. Carlisle, Feb. 4 - 1892.
m. Grace Whittier, Aug 14 - 1920

VIII

John H.[8] Duren (Thomas[7] & Margaret Black)

John[8] Duren, b. d. April 15 - 1904 aged 46 - 10 - 4 Worcester Mass.
m. Minnie H. Chamberlin, b. Bath, N. H. d. Wells River, Vt.
April 8 - 1917 aged 56, and is buried in Carlisle; dau. of
Isaac Heath and Jane Childs (Lang) Chamberlin of Bath, N. H.
ch: George Albert[9], b. Sept. 17 - 1887, d. Aug. 24 - 1888, ae 11 m. 7 d.
Amy Winnifred[9], b. June 18 - 1890.
Earl b. Nov. 15 - 1897, d. Nov. 18 - 1897 ae 3 days.

IX

Samuel Edward[9] Duren, son of Warren Chester[8] and Minnie E. (Kenney) Duren, m. Westford, Mass. April 14-1934, Evelyn Margaret Millis of Westford.

ch: Samuel Edward,[10] b. Carlisle, Feb. 19-1935.

Littlehale.

From Durant MS. Boston.

I Richard Littlehale of Haverhill, Mass. d. 1663.
m. 1647, Mary Laucton.

II Isaac Littlehale of Ipswich, Mass. b. 1660, d. 1718
m. 1686, Elizabeth Davis of Gloucester, who m. (2) John Stacy.

III John Littlehale, b. 1691, d. 1750.
m. 1715 Hannah Colburn (Coburn)

IV Abraham Littlehale, b. 1725, d. 1811,
m. 1744 Mary Stearns

V Abraham Littlehale, b. Dracut, Aug 4-1747
m. Jan. 24-1785, Rebecca Breed of Marblehead.

VI Lore (Lorinia) Littlehale, b. Tyngsboro, about 1794, d. Carlisle Jan 3-1884 ae 90
m. 1821, Asa Duren.
ch: Asa, Thomas, William, George.

Duren.

I John Durant (-1692) m. 1670 Susanna Dutton (1654-)
II John Durant (1672-1757) m. 1695 Elizabeth Jaquish
III John Durant (1696-17....) m. Hannah....
IV Thomas Durant (1725-17....) m. Ann (Nichols?)
Ch: 1. Melitable, b. Nov. 13-1758
2. John, b. May 13-1760, m. Azubah Nickles of Billerica, Sept. 30-1791.
3. Leafe, b. Feb. 10-1763, m. Samuel Spaulding of Chelmsford Jan. 21-1790 at Chelmsford. She d. Carlisle Sept. 3 1853 aged 91.
She m. 2nd. Philo Litchfield, son of Rev. Paul Litchfield
4. Willard, b. Feb. 8-1766, m. Mary Nickles of Billerica Dec 10-1787
5. Abi, b. Feb. 17-1769
6. Alford, b. Dec. 12-1771, d. Feb. 6-1773.
7. Perces, b. Oct 20-1774.
V John Durant (1760-18.....) m. 1791 Azubah Nickles
VI Asa Duren (1796-1877) m. 1821, Lorey Littlehale (1794-1884)
VII Thomas Duren (1826-186....) m. Margaret Black (-1907)
VIII Thomas Albert Duren (1851-) m. Alice Nelson
IX Nellie Maude Duren (1895-) m. 1916 Roy Bertram Hodgman (1888-)

I John Durant & Susanna Dutton
II John Durant & Elizabeth Jaquish
III John Durant & Hannah...
IV Thomas Durant & Ann...
V Willard Durant & Mary Nickles
Ch: 1. Anna, b. July 20-1799,
m. Robert Wilkerson, Jan 1-1818.
2. Hannah, b. July 2-1802
3. Mary b. July 17-1794
4. Willard, Jr. b. Jan 2-1797,
m. Rebecca Littlehale of Tyngsboro May 25-1817.

Chester Duren line.

I John Durant & Susanna Dutton-
II John " & Elezabeth Jaquish
III John " & Hannah ----
IV Thomas " & Ann ------
V John " & Azubah Nickles-
VI Asa " & Lorey Littlehale, m. Sept 3-1821.
ch: 1. Asa[7], b. Dec. 19-1821, d. Nov-12-1902, ae. 80, 10, 23-
m. Sarah Stearns-
2. Thomas[7], b. May 12-1823, d. May 16-1864 ae. 39-
m. Margaret Black
3. William[7], b. Carlisle ¢ 1828, d. Aug. 19-1863, unm (crippled)
4. George[7], b. Sept. 3-1830, d. June 15-1913, ae. 82-
m. 1st. Martha Dana
2nd. Jennie Estelle Hodgman

VII Asa Duren & Sarah Stearns- m-
ch: Frank, b- d. 1866.
Warren Chester, b. 1867 d. Sept. 1936
VIII Warren Chester Duren, b. 1867, d. Sept- 1936
m. 1903 Mary E. Kinney, b-
d- dau. of Sanil &

ch: Kenneth Warren, m. Mable Rosanah Philbrick- 1939
Samuel, b-
Alan, b-
Florence b-
Frances Amora, b. Oct. 30-1908, d. March 1912

The Old Cedar Chest.
by John D. Wells, from
"Rhymes of Our Home Folks"

3rd verse:

Old and gray, it [illegible] alone
Underneath the attic roof
None to see it, none to care,
Yet it guards its keepsakes there;
Treasure trove of smiles and tears
Heart beats of forgotten years —
Little things that whisper of
Some one's sorrow, some one's love;
Some one's life — its very best —
Molders in the cedar chest!

There are old cedar and pine chests in the attics of Carlisle, and now and then I have seen a painted sea chest. Many of them have been generously opened for me to look inside, often to loan some old deed, scrap book or family record, that I might make my stories more accurate.

I have looked at precious fading daguerreotypes and tintypes, baby boots and wedding dresses, ringlets from the baby's hair and a bit of silvery white hair from grandma's thin locks. I've seen wedding rings and gold breast pins, paisley and India shawls, heirloom silver and home spun linen, cameos and beaded bags. A pocket knife and old coins; a poem and a Civil War medal — all mementoes of past days which are poignantly recalled with each loving touch, and regretfully laid aside again in order to keep step with this moving world.

I thank each person who has opened a memory chest for me. The stories of many fine lives have been recalled before the cover closed again upon the keepsakes of so much sentimental value in each family.

Martha F. Wilkins.

GREEN-PARESI HOUSE
Stearns Street and Bedford Road

Historical Sketch

Amos Green Family

James Green Family

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Residence of Antonio Parisi
Bedford Street.

Built before 1799 by Amos Green.

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photographed 1931.

Parish House. Surely built by 1799.

Amos Green, born March 5 1772, son of John and Elizabeth (Spaulding) Green, married Elizabeth Blood, daughter of Ward and Elizabeth (Proctor) Blood, Feb. 14-1799 at which time they went to live in the little house now situated on the corner of Stearns and Bedford Streets. We suppose that he built this house but of that fact we are not certain.

The house was first built without the ell but contained several good sized rooms, one having a fire place and brick oven with iron door and latch. At some time there has apparently been a chimney fire which damaged this oven considerably. The fire place wall is of wood and there are board petitions upstairs. The hall goes lengthwise of the house as does also the pantry on the north side. The most noticeable bit of construction is the peculiar extension of the roof line at the eastern end, giving the house what is locally spoken of as an English gable. The front door is in an unusual position. The house is more roomy than one would suppose from the looks outside.

Mr. and Mrs. Green had two children:- Joshua, born 1807, who died Dec. 27-1840, and a daughter (born Dec 10-1802) who lived only six weeks. This sorrow so affected Mrs Green's mind that she became insane, and even though living at home, was unable to enjoy its pleasures and comfort. Mr. Green had a tragic end, being found dead in the pasture, from some heart difficulty, April 10-1828, when 56 years of age. His widow survived him many years, her death occurring April 29-1865 at the age of ninety years.

Josiah Hodgman and Amos Munroe both lived in this house after the Greens, but dates are unknown. Ephraim Davis owned it in 1860. James Green also owned it. He died July 29-1875 at the age of 84 and his widow Sarah Bryant (Gould) Green remained until her death July 7-1883 when 66 years old. Thomas A. Green, executor of the estate, then purchased it from the estate and added the ell to the house, also erected the addition to the barn after which he rented the place to various people who lived there different periods of time. Some of the tenants were Charles Munroe, Duffy Liberty, William Hadley, Ingwald Otterson, Mrs La Bonte, Martin Hanson

While Dugwald Otterson lived in the Parisi house, he had a blacksmith shop in the barn.

Josephine Parisi, dau. of Mr & Mrs Antonio Parisi, married William John Nash, at Bedford, Mass., April 15-1932.

and George E. Sherman.

A man from Somerville, Mass. purchased the property from J. A. Green but owned it only a short time before selling to Antonio Parisi who resides there now (1932). This place was never a farm, but simply a house lot and home, which accounts for its many changes in tenant.

Mr Parisi, an Italian, and his Scotch wife keep the little house and grounds very neat and have tried to soften the construction lines with flowering vines. They have four children, three daughters and a son.

Amos Green family.

Amos Green, born March 5-1772, son of John and Elizabeth (Spaulding) Green, a minute-man.
married Elizabeth Blood, Feb. 14-1799, daughter of David and Elizabeth (Proctor) Blood.
died, April 10-1828, aged 56.
children:- Daughter, Dec. 10-1802, lived six weeks.
Joshua, born 1807, d. Carlisle, Dec 27-1840.

Elizabeth Blood, wife of Amos Green.
born, April 23-1775 in Concord, Mass.,
died, April 29-1865, Carlisle, 90 years old.

James Green family.

James Green, b. Oct. 22-1790, died July 29-1875 aged 84 yrs.
married (1st) Lois Hutchinson, June 3-1817 at Carlisle
b. Jan 26-1792
d. March 10-1865 aged 73.
married (2nd) Sarah Bryant Gould, Jan 3-1867, Lowell, Mass
b. 1817
d. July 7-1883 aged 66.

BLOOD-PATCH HOUSE
Bedford Road

Historical Sketch

David Blood Family

Proctor-Blood Family

Silas Green Family

Davidson Family

Residence of Mr + Mrs James Patch

Bedford Road.

Probably built by David Blood

Photographed 1932.

"The David Blood house" about 1915,

when occupied by Mr Edgar St Clair Davidson

who appears in the picture beside his mother-

Miss Anna Hanson is at the right.

Wall Paper found in Blood-Bates house.

photographed 1931.

photographed 1932.

Blood - Bates House. Existing 1779.

From an old report submitted to the Carlisle town meeting in 1820 defining the bounds of the county road "from Green burying place to the river bridge" it appears that David Blood had lived at this place.

David Blood, b. 1726, married Elizabeth Proctor, and the next farm east, where Miss Sarah Davis now lives, was then the Ezekiel Proctor property.

Elizabeth Blood, daughter of David Blood, married Simon Green, Feb. 14 - 1799 and they built the house across the road now owned by Antonio Paresi. Considering the old custom of building as near the parental roof as was possible, it seems quite likely that David lived here and probably was the builder of the house. Proximity was a weighty factor in those days.

The long roof - and general appearance of the original building indicates age and the recent discovery of - a very old imported French wall-paper, confirms this opinion. In the Samuel Fowler house in Damersport, Mass there is a room papered with wall paper identical in pattern to that found here, which is said to date from 1810. (See Samuel Chamberlain's book "Beyond New England Thresholds," p. 95).

David Blood died Nov. 23 - 1804 aged 78 and his wife Elizabeth died Jan. 10 - 1815 aged 73: it is not improbable that the last years of their life were spent with some of their children.

David Blood was a Revolutionary Soldier and his grave in the Central Burying Ground has a marker. His descendants through a daughter Rebecca, who married Nathan Brown of Boston, are living and interested in the proper recognition of his services in the Colonial war.

Although I cannot be positive about the occupancy of David Blood, we know that Silas Green, son of Nathan and Lois (Conant) Green who kept the Revolutionary Tavern, went to live here when he married Elizabeth Proctor, Dec. 22 - 1799. They spent their whole married life on this farm, he dying on March 13 - 1833 aged 59, and his wife, on April 10 - 1836, aged 61. Their son Cyrus Green, born in 1800 stayed on the farm with them. He was a school teacher and was for four years one of the selectmen of the town. He died

in 1855 at the age of 55 years.

Daniel Healy lived here at the time the barn was consumed by fire, Jan. 10-1881. He lost his life trying to rescue a favorite horse. He was sixty years old at the time.

Mrs. Charles Forbush bought the property and it was annexed to the original Forbush farm. The house now owned by Stirling Davis was built by George Forbush in 1852 and was on land included in the Forbush estate, so the family holdings were continuous and included the three places now separately owned.

When Edgar I. Blaisdell was married in 1897 he went to live in the Blood-Bates house, and remained there until Feb. 1901 at which time he removed to the present R. B. Bates farm.

Mrs Hannah Davidson and her family lived in the old house, remaining there until Mrs. Davidson's death, leaving the son Edgar St. Clair Davidson alone. He soon acquired other property and this place was purchased by Mr. & Mrs. Wallace Snow who came here with their family from Somerville, Mass. For several years they made this their home. A gasoline station was put in, and a glassed-in addition made to the western end of the house in which a small store was kept.

Miss Harriett O. Bates secured the property from the Snows and with her parents, Mr. & Mrs Henry O. Bates, removed here from Medford, Mass. Changes were made in the house and the property was much improved. Miss Bates has served the town as Treasurer in the years 1931 and 32.

The interior of the house still has several of its original features. Large flat field stones are used for the base of the big chimney, and flat native rocks for the floor of the brick oven in the kitchen. There is no cellar under the kitchen and much of the space usually devoted to storage is taken up by the base of the chimney which is composed of a combination of field stone and brick. The chimney is five feet square at the top. The modern heating equipment is in a brick arch. The five original fireplaces and two ovens required seven flues in the chimney.

Panelled walls surround the fire-place in the living room, and in the pantry the wall boards are twenty-six inches wide. In the dining room there is a board dado

twenty-two inches wide, and at the top of the room a decoration in the wood, of the star and groove pattern. * * *

Back of the door in the dining room a length of old wall paper was discovered which is declared to be of French origin. It is block printed, printed after joining square pieces of paper, and is pleasing in color and design.

The front and back doors of this house are double, being batten inside and panelled outside, with long iron hinges.

The original shed with oval arched opening has been entirely changed, being first adapted to store purposes and later simply as an entrance.

The flowers planted by Miss Bates in front of the house and along the roadside, add much to the beauty of the Estate.

On April 16-1937, Miss Harriet O. Bates was married to Mr. James Alfred Patch of Stoneham, Mass. at Newton Centre, Mass.

Owners and Occupants.

Probably David Blood was the first owner.
Silas Green
Cyrus Green, son of Silas. 1850.
Daniel Healey 1860
Charles Forbush, sometime between 1880—1890.
Mrs Wallace H. Snow.
Harriet O. Bates 1926—
(Mrs James A. Patch)
[illegible] and Maureen Ku[illegible]

The graves of David and Elizabeth Blood,

Central Burying-ground, Carlisle.

David Blood family.

David Blood, b. 1726, Sept 4, d. Nov. 23-1804, aged 78; married in Concord, Sept. 26-1771, Elizabeth Proctor, who d. Jan 10-1815 aged 73 years.

Children:

1. Elizabeth, b. April 23-1775, Concord, Mass.
   d. April 29-1865, aged 90.
   m. Amos Green, Feb. 14-1799, Carlisle.
2. Rebecca, b.
   d.
   m. Nathan Brown of Boston, Dec. 21-1802 at Carlisle

Proctor-Blood family.

Ezekiel Proctor of Dunstable, and Sarah Blood of Carlisle, m. May 1-1793.

Children:
1. Anna b. March 14-1795.
2. Sarah, b. March 3-1797.
3. Jonathan, b. Aug. 30-1800.
4. Elizabeth, b. Oct. 10-1802.
5. Ezekiel, b. Oct. 5-1805
6. Rebecca, b. May 27-1808
7. Mary, b. Sept. 23-1811

Silas Green family.

Silas Green, son of Nathan and Lois (Barrett) Green, was born 1774 and died March 13 - 1833, aged 59. He married Dec. 22 - 1799, Elizabeth Parlin, daughter of Nathan and Hannah (Hodgman) Parlin. She was born April 26 - 1775 and died April 10 - 1836 aged 61. Born and died in Carlisle.

ch:- Cyrus, b. 1800, Carlisle.
d. Feb 1 - 1855 aged 55, at Carlisle
- he was a school teacher.
- he was also a surveyor as some plans which he drew in 1827 are now in the possession of Mrs Marie Duren.

Davidson family.

John Davidson, d.
married Hannah Rounds, who d. Nov 9 - 1917 ae. 69 yrs 27 d.
children:

1. Harry Leroy Davidson, b.
   d. April 21 - 1911 aged 36.
   m. 1897. (Mrs. H. L. Davidson died at the Concord Hospital, March 21 - 1912.
2. Edgar St. Clair Davidson, b. Carlisle, Jan. 12 - 1883,
   d. " Aug. 10 - 1937, unm.
3. Lottie Lee Hartnett b.
   m. Albert B. Jones, M.D. of Providence, R. I. March 15 - 19[illegible] at Carlisle.

I have been told that Mrs John Davidson (Hannah Rounds) was the same as "Meribah Jane Davidson" but I do not recall why the name was changed. She was a sister of William Rounds, and Mrs. George W. Hilbert.

NUTTING-PEDERSEN HOUSE
Concord Street

Historical Sketch

John H. A. Heald Family

John Duren Family

Carl Pedersen Family

Samuel E. Scott Family

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Residence of Carl Pedersen

Concord Street.

Asa Nutting
1817

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photographed 1931. by Mrs B. P. Wilkins.

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Nutting-Pedersen house.

S E Scott

A memorial Day Tribute in Sleepy Hollow Cemetery—
Sergeant Oscar E. Pedersen (Carlisle) A. E. F. — George Bowker (Concord) G. A. R.

Nutting-Pedersen house.
Corner of Concord and Church streets.

Asa Nutting was the first owner of this house, as far as we know. It is said that his father Amos Nutting, who married Sarah Heald in 1782 also lived here, but research has not revealed this to be true. The type of house does not indicate that it is extremely venerable.

Amos Nutting was the father of six children: Betsey, Sally, Amos, Asa, Cyrus and Simrid. I have not discovered what became of Betsey or Simrid. Sally married Paul Heald and their descendants may now be found in Atkinson, N. H.; Amos, Jr. married Hannah French Heald and their descendants remained in Carlisle; Cyrus married Hannah Wilkins and established a home across the street from this house, now called the Kohlrausch house; Asa married Clarissa Wilkins and lived in this house.

The early history of this house and family is obscure. Very little has been locally handed down regarding the Nutting family. On Sept. 2-1837 Asa Nutting and Abel Taylor were made guardians of the minor children and heirs of Isaac Duren when the Duren estate was being settled.

There is a legal paper existing, dated July 2-1853 in which Asa Nutting and Abel Taylor, Jr. (his neighbor to the east) agree to a right of way 16 feet wide between their houses, each owning one half of the lane. It seems pleasant to record that these two families carried out the scriptural injunction and "dwelt together in unity."

In the 1860 valuations, Asa Nutting was owner of a house and barn. This lane was the only passage to the barn from the road.

Samuel Scott, a blacksmith, lived for a short time in the Otterson house and worked in the ancient smithy or forge, but sometime between 1860 and 1870 he secured and took up his residence in this house. At this time he built the large barn with the cupola.

Samuel Edwards Scott was born in Westford, May 6-1819, son of Samuel and Sarah (Weatherby) Scott and died in Carlisle, July 14-1879 at the age of 60 yrs. 2 months and 8 days. He first married Louisa Electra Forbush, May 12-1844, dau. of Paul and Hannah (Green) Forbush of Carlisle. They had one daughter, Amanda Electra, born in Westford, April 5-1845, d. Carlisle, Aug 22-1879.

Mrs Scott died July 30-1852 and on Dec. 22-1853 he married Mary Green, daughter of Lilly[6] and Patty (Lane) Green. Their only child died in infancy. But Mr. Scott had an orphan neice whom they took into their home and brought up. She was known as Emma Scott but her name was Emma Flint. She inherited Mrs. Mary Scott's property, while the daughter Amanda inherited much of her father's and mother's wealth. It is said she built the house now owned by Dr. George Pierce Towle on Westford St. when she married Nathaniel Taylor, spent money freely, and used up most of her patrimony.

Mr. Scott was called the second richest man in town when he was living here. He was a bibulous gentleman and not given to self restraint yet he conducted his personal affairs shrewdly and well.

An amusing story has come down through the years regarding his habits. Having proper tools to do it, he usually cut the grass on the common and tried to keep it looking like a well kept field. One day, after a slight over-indulgance of his favorite beverage, he was out raking the hay on the common with a horse-rake. He had failed to notice that he had not dropped the rake into position as he began his rounds. After jauntily going over the entire field several times, he could not understand why the hay still lay where it had been spread. When his neighbors had been sufficiently entertained, they helped him solve the puzzle and he then began again and cleaned up the field.

Mr. Scott died July 14-1879. His widow sold the house to John and Thomas Duren, brothers, and she moved with her family across the road into what is now the Kohrausch house, where she died in 1885.

At some time, thought to be just before the Scotts came to this house, John Henry A. Heald, son of "Capt. Tom" and Betsey (Adams) Heald, lived here for several years, but may have been only a tenant. When he was twenty-one, in 1847, he married Christiana A. Wheat, daughter of Ai Wheat of the Wheat Tavern, who was only fourteen years old. They had five children: Ernest F. Heald, b. April 10-1848, d. Aug. 14-1873; Ida M. b. Aug. 22-1849, who married a Mr. Babbitt; Henry A. b. Sept. 19-1853 and died the following day; William A. b. Lexington and died in Hudson, N.H. in 1918; and Alice M. b. Aug. 29-1861, who married a Blanchard. Mrs Christie Heald died in this house when in her early thirties.

Mr. John Duren, part owner with his brother Tom, never lived in the house, but provided a home here for his widowed mother. She occupied the rooms upstairs and Tom and his family lived downstairs. From May 1 - 1888 till 1893, one downstairs room was used as a town library with Mr. & Mrs. T. Albert Green in charge.

Mr. Everett E. Lapham bought the house in 1903 and occupied it after the Durens, living upstairs and his son Arthur and family, downstairs. In 1906 he made extensive repairs. He changed the Ell of the house by raising it, putting in windows, making a pantry upstairs and down, and adding an outside stairway. In a little back room downstairs there are some church windows which came from an old church which was being repaired. This room was enlarged to make a good bed-room and in this room Mrs Arthur Lapham's children were born.

The front of the building presents the very ordinary appearance of the usual country farm-house, except for the hood over the front door added long after it was built, but the back of the building is decidedly unusual for this type. It has been greatly changed by the stairway and numerous additions, from its original appearance.

Fire which came from a defective chimney, threatened the destruction of the house in February, 1916, but prompt action saved it.

Mr. E. E. Lapham removed to the MacDougall house, but the son Arthur remained until the house was sold to Anna Pederson, daughter of Carl and Julia Pederson, who immediately took possession. Carl Pederson had a large family and they proposed to all help to make this a family home. They planted a hedge about the yard, which separated the property from the street and made minor changes inside the house, to meet their requirements. But sickness, misfortune, and loss of work prevented them from realizing their desires. Mrs Pederson died and the family became more or less scattered. After a few years, the property was acquired through mortgage, by Mr. John Hart, although Mr. Pederson and his son Carl, who is a midget, remain as tenants.

Martha F. Wilkins. Feb. 1938.

Nutting-Pederson House.

Owners and tenants: Asa Nutting
John Henry A. Heald
Samuel E. Scott
Thomas Duren
John Duren
Everett E. Lapham
Arthur Lapham
Anna Pedersen
John Hart.

John Henry Adams Heald.

John Henry Adams[8] Heald, b. May 15-1826, d. Dec. 21-1884
son of Capt. Thomas[7] and Betsey[7] (Adams) Heald.
married Dec. 30-1847, (when Miss Wheat was 14 and he was 21)
Christiana A. Wheat, b. 1833? d.
dau. of Ai and Irene Gibson (Hutchinson) Wheat of Carlisle.
children: 1. Ernest F. b. April 10-1848, d. Aug 14-1873,
m. Emma (Dix) Parker, widow of Sidney Parker.
2. Ida M. b. Aug. 22-1849, m. ..... Babbitt
3. Henry A. b. Sept. 19-1853, d. May 7-1854.
4. William A. b. Lexington? d. 1918, Hudson. N.H.
5. Alice M. b. Aug. 29-1861, m. ..... Blanchard.

Duren.

John H.[8] Duren, b. d. April 15-1904, ae. 46-10-4.
son of Thomas[7] and Margaret (Black) Duren (Asa[6], John[5], Thomas[4])
m. Sept. 10-1884.
Minnie H. Chamberlin, b. d. April 8-1917, aged 56, at
Wells River, Vt. dau. of Isaac H. and Jane (Lang) Chamberlin.
children: 1. George Albert, b. Sept. 17-1887, d. Aug. 24-1888 ae 11 m. 7 d.
2. Amy Winifred, b. June 18-1890
3. Earle, b. Nov. 15-1897, d. Nov. 18-1897 ae 3 days.

Thomas Albert[8] Duren, b. 1851.
son of Thomas[7] and Margaret (Black) Duren.
m. Alice M. Nelson, dau. of ... and Laura (Chamberlin) Nelson
children: Henry Nelson, b. Carlisle, Feb. 4-1892
Nellie Maude (C.V.R. Margaret) b. Aug 14-1895, Wolcott, Vt.
Isabel Watson, b.

Lapham -
See Taylor genealogy -

Pedersen -

Carl Pedersen, b. in Norway, and Julia C., his wife who died June 2 1932 aged 65/1/11 (Julia Christiansen)

children: Alfred, m. Alice M. Johnson, Nov. 26 - 1925 in Chelmsford. dau. of Mr & Mrs Charles Johnson, Powell St. "

Palmer, m. Grace E. Perry, June 7-1918, Melrose, Mass.

Ralph m. Mary Jane Anger of Chelmsford, May 25, 1922.

* Oscar Edwin, b. Feb. 28 - 1895, m. Bessie Philbrick

Anna, b. Aug 29 - 1892, m.

Clara Jennie b. March 18 - 1903, m. July 9 - 1925, Niven A. Burkett who d. Dec. 6 - 1927 ae. 46/9/26.

Carl } twins b. a dwarf.
Julia }
Alice J.

m. Francis E. MacClellan - June 17 - 1929.

* World War Soldier.

Scott.

Samuel E. Scott, b. Westford, Mass. May 6 - 1819, d. Carlisle July 14 - 1 [illegible]
son of Samuel & Sarah (Weatherby) Scott

married (1st) May 12 - 1844, Louisa Electra Forbush, dau. of Paul and Hannah (Green) Forbush of Carlisle. She d. July 30 - 1852.

ch: Amanda Electra, b. Westford, April 5 - 1845, d. Aug 22 - 1879, m. Nathaniel Taylor. (1837 - 1890)

married (2nd) in Carlisle, Dec. 22 - 1853, Mary Green, b. Feb. 26 - 1816, d. Feb. 18 - 1885, dau. of Lilly & Betty (Lane) Green.

ch: (1) one who died in infancy.

(2) adopted Emma Flint, b. ____ Raymond N.H. d. May 16 - 1900

m. Frank Romeo. Aug 9 - 1879.

He d. Nov. 13 - 1937. ae. 81/7/17.

HEALD-PEDERSEN FAMILY
Concord Street

Historical Sketch

Heald Lineal Records

Samuel (4) Heald Family

Patrick Neff (Neif, Neef) Family

Samuel (5) Heald Family

Major B.F. (7) Heald Family

Simon Heald Family

Thomas Heald Family

Heald-Burt Line

Samuel Osgood Family

Carr Lineal Records

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Residence of Christian Pedersen
Concord Street.
Called Carr-Pedersen House.
built by Captain Samuel Heald
1788.

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Southern exposure.
photographed 1931.

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The Carr-Pedersen house.
Built 1748
by Captain Samuel Heald.

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The eastern side of the house.

CAPTAIN SAMUEL HEALD HOUSE,
now called the Carr-Peterson House.
Concord Street.
Built - 1788.

Almost a century and a half ago (1784) the home of Samuel Heald burned to the ground in the early spring. His son John was in the building and while the father was trying to reach him, both perished in the flames. How old this house was, or who built it, we do not know, but we do know that it stood on the Heald grant, on the site now occupied by the Carr-Peterson house.

This present house was erected by Samuel Heald, son of the above Samuel and brother to John who perished. It was begun shortly after the first house burned and was finished in 1788. It is a large house and was built in the prevailing pattern of the pitch roof, center chimney, south facing buildings. It stands on Concord Street not far from Russell Street, in the southern part of the town. Its appearance has been much changed since first built, as the big chimney has been removed and two smaller ones substituted, bay windows and piazza added to the east end, and also a large ell. Only two or three of the original windows remain, and these are in the attic. Interior changes have been as radical as those outside. With the removal of the big chimney, a door was cut through the back of the front hall and the stairway given a straight run. The older features of the house have been quite generally eliminated.

Beautiful elms overhang both the front and rear of the building giving welcome shade in the summer time.

Samuel Heald[5], the builder of this house, was the son of Samuel Heald[4] and Rebecca (Fletcher) Heald, and was born in Carlisle, March 29, 1743. He married, May 28, 1768, Mary Hunt of Concord, and had seven children, all of whom were probably born in this house; Thomas, who married Abi Hildreth and remained on the farm; Mary, who died when only four years old; Simon, who married Betsey Champney of Concord, Mass; a second Mary who married Benjamin Proctor and established a home on Stearns Street, which is now the home of Arthur Malcolm; Anna, who married Samuel Lovejoy and built the Titus house on Concord Street; Lucy, who died in infancy, and Elizabeth who married John G. Lakin of Hancock, N. H. and became the ancestor of Mrs. Elizabeth Robbins Berry.

Mary Hunt was married in a brocaded silk dress of soft green with a maroon overshot. A small piece of it is now in the possession of Miss Carrie Robbins whose father was a great grandson of Captain Samuel and Mary (Hunt) Heald. This scrap of silk now lines an ancient hand-made pocketbook. A pewter plate marked "M. H." and a silver spoon so marked, descended

to Miss Robbins from Mary Hunt, and the Captain's silver shoe buckle and personal jewelry have also been handed down.

At the time the First Church was organized in Carlisle, Feb. 28, 1781, Captain Samuel was appointed with Phineas Blood, to read the Psalm or hymn at "publick" services.

Samuel Heald[5] was a soldier in the Revolution, and previous to that was First Lieutenant of the Concord Militia Co. which was of course British until just before the battle at Concord. At that time Colonial soldiers not in sympathy with the British became members of the American troops. Thus Samuel Heald[5] became a Captain in the Continental Army and served with patriotic fervor. His record is given elsewhere in this book. He died May 11, 1829, aged 86, and is buried in Green Cemetery, Carlisle. He was the first soldier to receive a Revolutionary grave marker in Carlisle, this being placed by his great granddaughter, Elizabeth Robbins Berry. He served his native town as its first treasurer, for six years, 1780 - 1785 inclusive.

Thomas, his son, who married Abi Hildreth of Westford, remained on the home place and cultivated the farm. Their family included sons Benjamin Franklin, Ai, Capt. Thomas, Ephraim, Samuel, Warren, and a daughter Lucy, all born in this house. Thomas, the father, died in 1843 and his wife Abi in 1859. During her widowhood it was decided to give the farm to Benjamin Franklin if he would "see his mother through", which he did.

Benjamin Franklin Heald[7] was a man of letters and the father of a large family. He married Susan P. Kimball of Lowell, Mass., and ten children were born to them, the youngest of whom, Washington Irving Heald, is living today (Greenville, N.H.). He donated the interesting and valuable collection of relics from the Battlefield of Gettysburg to the Gleason Library, after having personally searched that historic spot for them. As three of his brothers were soldiers in the Civil War, he had a vital interest in all that pertained to it.

His brother Benjamin Franklin, Jr. donated to the town the Heald Memorial Arch at Green Cemetery, in memory of his parents, Major B. F. Heald and his wife Susan.

An Osgood family lived in this house after the Healds, who had a son Isaac and a daughter Jennie. The latter married John Prescott, son of Humphrey Prescott of Carlisle.

Fletcher Carr next occupied this house for a while, then sold it to Deacon S. G. Bailey who lived here about eight years. Edward J. Carr, brother of Fletcher Carr came next.

Ai Heald, son of Thomas[6] and Abi (Hildreth) Heald, married Luranah Forbush and had a daughter Luranah Heald, who became the mother of Mrs. Rena (Carr) Clark and grandmother of Guy, Joseph

and Maria Clark now living in Carlisle.

Ai Heald was called "Ai the Hunter" because of his prowess with the gun (see Russell House sketch).

Luranah Heald, daughter of Ai and Luranah (Forbush) Heald, married in 1869, Edward J. Carr of New Ipswich, N.H. and lived in the old Russell house on Russell Street, the site being opposite the present home of Herbert Dutton. In 1893 they removed to the Captain Samuel Heald house which was the former home of Mrs. Carr's uncle, Benjamin Franklin Heald, her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Heald, and before that, her grandparents, Captain and Mrs. Samuel Heald. Most of the radical changes in the house were made at this time.

Mr. Carr was a Civil War veteran having enlisted at nineteen years of age, in a New Hampshire regiment, and at the close of the war he engaged in agriculture. He and his wife purchased their first farm in Templeton, Mass., where they remained for three years, during which time their daughter Rena was born. She later became the wife of William A. Clark and now resides on the Samuel Green place, Concord Street, Carlisle.

After leaving Templeton, Mr. and Mrs. Carr purchased the old Russell farm in Carlisle where they remained for twenty years. Then they went (1893) to the Captain Samuel Heald house, now called the Carr-Peterson house. This adjoined the Russell property and comprised about forty-five acres. Mrs. Carr had additional holdings in various places in Carlisle, to the extent of about seventy-five acres.

Five children came into this family; Charles A. Carr who married Emma J. Upton; Rena M. who married William A. Clark; Marion L. who married Homer Edson of Milford, N.H. and went to live in Canada; Alvah, who married Annie Cluney; and Nellie, who died young.

On Jan. 14, 1894, the friends of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Carr surprised this worthy couple on the 25th anniversary of their wedding and they celebrated the event about a year after purchasing this house. There were many gifts and a bountiful roast turkey dinner.

Mr. Carr not only worked his farm, but also sold all varieties of real estate. He died at this place August 9, 1906, from a bee sting, while mowing on a machine in the hay field, death coming almost immediately. He was 63 years old and had lived in Carlisle for 34 years. He held many town offices:- Assessor, Supt. of Roads, member of School Board, and also a Selectman. His widow remained on the home place occupying a part of the house and renting the remainder to some family who would take care of the farm and house. A large barn had been built in 1849 and the farm was in shape to bring in a good income.

Eventually Mrs. Carr became feeble and went to live with her daughter Mrs. William A. Clark, dividing her time between her son Alvah in Hill, N.H. and daughter Rena. The farm was sold in 1925 to S. Waldo Lapham who sold it almost immediately to Mr. and Mrs. Christian Peterson, thrifty Scandinavians who have taken excellent care of this staunch old house.

This Captain Samuel Heald house stands as solidly as it did the day it was finished in 1788. It has housed four generations of Healds and a large number of Heald children. For one hundred and forty-four years travelers between Carlisle and Concord have passed its doors. The succession of spring planting and fall harvesting have never been abated in all those years. The soil has yielded abundant products of food for man and beast, and while work was necessary, pleasures also came to those whose hands were seldom idle.

The house came into existence near the close of the Revolution when the colonies were bound to stand by their own efforts and such men as we had right here helped to make a substantial community.

The Heald family, one of the first and largest in the southern part of Carlisle, not only built seven houses which stand today, but also built some of the other structural fibre of our town. Captain Samuel fought for our political freedom from Great Britain. His grandson, "Major Frank" was one of the first historians of Carlisle, a leading Democrat, an official of the town and for many years a supporter of the First Church. His commission as Ensign was received from the State Militia in 1830; he was made Captain in 1835 and Major in 1836, serving in the 3rd Division of the Third Regiment of the First Brigade, M. V. M. He was a member of the House of Representatives in 1848. In 1880 he wrote a history of Carlisle for Drake's History of Middlesex County. (see p. 325 Bull's History of Carlisle)

Only two of the Healds in the male line remain in Carlisle today, although there are several descendants from female lines scattered through various old families. Of the seven Heald houses remaining, not one is in the family name. The Captain Samuel Heald farm was doubtless one of the very first Heald farms, the house which burned having been the home of the first Samuel Heald who was born in North Acton, the fourth generation from John Heald who came to Concord from England in 1662. The Heald grant, comprising a large area, was settled by different members of the family, each new family seemingly purchasing a convenient part on which to build a home. This farm is the one nearest the center of Carlisle and probably at the eastern edge of the grant. Included within its acreage are some of the openings into the abandoned Carlisle copper mines described in the Jonathan Heald house history.

Story written by Martha F. Wilkins and typed by Maria Clark, the great-great-great-grand-daughter of Captain Samuel Heald.

Samuel Heald line.

I	John Heald & Dorothy (~~Andrews~~ Royal?)		
II	John Heald & Sarah Dean	married	1661
III	John Heald & Mary Chandler		1690
IV	Samuel Heald & Rebecca Fletcher		1742
V	Samuel Heald, Jr. (Captain) & Mary Hunt		1768
VI	Thomas Heald & Abi Hildreth		1791
VII	Benjamin Franklin Heald & Susan Philbrook Kimball		1838

Heald - Berry line.

I	John Heald & Dorothy (~~Andrews~~ Royal?)
II	John Heald & Sarah Dean
III	John Heald & Mary Chandler
IV	Samuel Heald & Rebecca Fletcher
V	Samuel Heald, Jr. & Mary Hunt
VI	Elizabeth Heald & John G. Lakin
VII	John Dana Robbins & Caroline Lakin
VIII	John Robbins & Sarah H. Morgan
IX	Elizabeth Robbins & Henry A. Berry

Heald - Clark line.

I	John Heald & Dorothy (~~Andrews~~ Royal?)		
II	John Heald & Sarah Dean	married	1661
III	John Heald & Mary Chandler		1690
IV	Samuel Heald & Rebecca Fletcher		1742
V	Samuel Heald, Jr. (Captain) & Mary Hunt		1768
VI	Thomas Heald & Abi Hildreth		1791
VII	Ai Heald & Luranah (Forbush) Green		1837
VIII	Luranah Heald & Edward J. Carr		1868
IX	Rena Carr & William A. Clark		1899
X	Maria Clark		

Samuel Heald[4].

Samuel Heald[4], son of John[3] and Mary (Chandler) Heald, married Rebecca Fletcher, June 9, 1742.

He was born May 4, 1705, and died April 18, 1784. (burned to death).
She was born Nov. 13, 1717, and died Sept. 11, 1807, daughter of Hezekiah and Mary (Wood) Fletcher of Concord, Mass. (went to New Hampshire and settled near Walpole) was in Carlisle, Mass. March 3, 1755.
see Shattuck's Concord, p. 321, 324, 328.

Children:-

1. Samuel[5], Jr., b. March 29, 1743. d. May 11, 1829. m. May 28, 1768, Mary Hunt, b. Aug. 10, 1745, d. Oct. 22, 1822, daughter of Simon Hunt, Jr. and Anna (Blood) Barron of Concord. (see "Hunt Family" p.p. 25, 26, & 85).

2. Rebecca, b. Oct. 18, 1745. m. Oct. 30, 1766, John Hubbard.

3. Josiah, b. Dec. 10, 1747. m. Tryphenia ------ and settled in Maine.

4. John, b. May 24, 1750. d. April 18, 1784, burned to death in the conflagration of his father's house. (was weak minded).

5. Mary, b. Oct. 22, 1752. m. Patrick Neif.

6. Hannah, b. Jan. 29, 1755.

7. Sarah, b. Oct. 24, 1757. d. Jan. 9, 1832. m. Apr. 3, 1782, Amos Nutting, d. Feb. 4, 1821. He was from Groton, Mass. They had a son Amos H. who married Dec. 24, 1812, Hannah French Heald, daughter Capt. Jonathan Heald and his 2nd wife Hannah French. This Capt. Jonathan Heald was brother to Ebenezer Heald. Capt. Jonathan had four children by his first wife, Sarah Brown.

8. Silas, b. Oct. 26, 1760. d. June 21/3, 1811. m. June 22, 1786, Sarah Wetherbee of Carlisle. ch: Sarah, b. April 29, 1787.
John, b. July 7, 1791.

Patrick Neff family.

Mary Heald, daughter of Samuel[4] and Rebecca (Fletcher) Heald, b. Oct. 22, 1752. d. married Patrick Neff.

Children:-

Elexander	b. Sept. 15, 1774.	
Hannah	b. Nov. 10, 1777.	m. Daniel Williams, Sept. 5, 1797.
Sarah	b. Nov. 10, 1781.	m. Aaron Fletcher (Captain) Dec. 16-1806 at Chelmsford

Patrick Neff

(spelled also Neif and Neef)

Patrick Neff is listed among the Revolutionary soldiers from Carlisle at the State House, Boston, Mass. with the following record:

Patrick Neff: time of service 6 months; amount of pay 1375 pounds, 16 shillings.

(Bull's History of Carlisle, p. 45)

Samuel Heald 5.

Captain)
Lieut.) Samuel Heald (records show him as both Captain and Lieutenant) b. March 29, 1743. d. May 11, 1829. m. May 28, 1768.

Mary Hunt of Concord, Mass., b. Aug. 10, 1745. d. Oct. 22, 1822, daughter of Simon Hunt, Jr. and Anna (Blood) Barron. (see "Hunt Family" p.p. 25, 26, & 85.)

Children:-

1. Thomas, b. Dec. 12, 1768. d. April 14, 1843. m. Sept. 11, 1791, Abi Hildreth, b. 1767, d. Aug. 3, 1859, daughter Ephraim Hildreth and Elizabeth Parker of Westford, Mass.

2. Mary, b. April 16, 1771. d. March 31, 1775. (Hill Cemetery, Concord)

3. Simon, b. March 6, 1774. d. June 12, 1830. m. Nov. 12, 1801/0, Betsey Champney, d. May 12, 1830, daughter of John and Sarah ( ) Champney of Concord, Mass.

4. Mary, b. April 16, 1776. d. Sept. 28, 1857. m. Jan. 14, 1800, Benjamin Proctor. b. Nov. 11, 1776. d. Nov. 12, 1852.

5. Anna, b. Sept. 19, 1778. d. Jan. 28, 1855. m. Oct. 22, 1796, Samuel Lovejoy, b. March 5, 1772. d. Mar. 27, 1847, son of Christopher and Rebecca (Parker) Lovejoy of Billerica, Mass.

6. Lucy, b. Dec. 29, 1780. died in infancy.

7. Elizabeth, b. July 13, 1783. m. Jan. 13, 1808, John G. Lakin of Hancock, N.H. They had a daughter Caroline who m. John Dana Robbins who d. Oct. 14, 1858. This Caroline Lakin was an only child, her parents having separated after they had been married but a few months.

Major Benjamin Franklin[7] Heald family.

Benjamin Franklin[7] Heald, grandson of Captain Samuel[5] and son of Thomas[6] and Abi (Hildreth) Heald,
b. Carlisle, Oct. 25, 1809 (in Carr-Peterson house).
d. July 27, 1892 at West Somerville, Mass., aged 83.

Held many town offices.
State Representative 1848.
Wrote History of Carlisle for Drake's History of Middlesex County in 1880.
Received his commission in the M. V. M.

m. Jan. 14, 1838, Susan P. Kimball, b. 1816, Portland, Me.
d. May 7, 1889, aged 73, at Somerville, Mass.

The Heald Memorial Arch was erected at the eastern entrance to Green Cemetery, Carlisle, to their memory, by their son, Benjamin Franklin Heald, 2nd.

They had ten children:-

1. Thomas H., b. April 7, 1838. d. New York City, Feb. 6, 1903. Civil War Veteran.
m. Minerva Hill at Lowell, Mass. no issue.
2. Angeline, A. b. Feb. 29, 1840. d. New York city.
m. Lingan C. Wing, Jan 12-1862.
3. Timothy Wilkins, b. July 6, 1842. d. Chicago, Ill.
Civil War Veteran.
m. Anna McCormack at Atlanta Ga; ch: Lillian.
4. Austin Marsh, b. Jan. 6, 1844. d. Falmouth, Va. Jan. 30, 1863. Civil War Veteran.
5. Benjamin Franklin, b. Feb. 1, 1846. d. Feb. 19, 1925, aged 80. Was D.D.S.
m. Bessie Hill at Lowell, Mass. no issue
6. Susan Adeline, b. July 15, 1848. d. March, 1923, Somerville, Mass.,
m. James Waldo Johnson. at Lawrence, Mass.
7. Charles, E. b. Oct 25-1850 d. Oneonta, N. Y.
m. Lucy Melvin; ch:- Berlita
8. George Clinton b. Oct. 25-1855 d. Carlisle
unm.
9. Imogene B., b. July 6-1852 d.
10. Washington Irving[8], b. Oct. 25, 1858.
m. Mrs Grace E. Flagg, Nov. 14-1884 at Somerville, Mass.
ch:- Irving Grinnell — Dorothy, 3 Benj. 7.

B. F. Heald lived first in Carr-Peterson house, and later in Jonathan Heald house, now Dr. Lunt's.

Benjamin Franklin Heald? was a soldier in the World War.

Simon Heald, son of Captain Samuel[5] and Mary (Hunt) Heald, b. March 6, 1774. d. June 12, 1830.
m. Nov. 12, 1801/0 (Drury chart) Aug. 22, 1801, Carlisle records Betsey Champney, b. d. May 12, 1830, daughter Ephraim and Sarah ( ) Champney of Concord, Mass.

Children:-

Ebenezer, b. July 4, 1802

Thomas Heald, son of Captain Samuel[5] and Mary (Hunt) Heald, b. Dec. 12, 1768. d. April 14, 1843. m. Sept. 11, 1791. Abi Hildreth, b. 1767. d. Aug. 3, 1859, daughter Ephraim Hildreth and Elizabeth Parker of Westford, Mass.

Children:-

Samuel,	b. Dec. 27, 1791. m. Sibbel March, int. March 7-1814.
Ephraim,	b. May 18, 1793. m. Betsey Hodgman, 1821.
Thomas,	b. March 2, 1795. ("Captain Tom"). m. Betsey Adams
Abi,	b. Oct. 5, 1796. m. Benjamin Adams, April 1-1821.
Lucy,	b. May 4, 1798. m. Thomas Spaulding, Dec. 26-1804
Franklin,	b. Jan. 1, 1800. d. Aug 25-1800
Warren,	b. June 5, 1807. m. Irena Hodgman, int. Nov-26-1831. *
Benjamin Franklin,	b. Oct. 25, 1809. m. Susan Philbrook Kimball, Jan 14-1835.
Ai,	b. Mar. 23, 1812. m. Luranah (Forbush) Green, Jan 31-1837.

* Irena (Hodgman) Heald d. Feb. 13-1834 aged 29, in Carlisle. Warren Heald m. (2nd) Elizabeth Ellenis of New Durham, N.H. int. Carlisle, Sept. 24-1837.

Captain Thomas Heald, or "Captain Tom" as he was called, son of Thomas[6] and Abi (Hildreth) Heald, built the house which later burned, on South Street, the only evidence of which is the cellar foundation stones, on the Dr. Lunt estate. The barn on the opposite side of the road remains only as a frame.

Ephraim Heald, son of Thomas[6] and Abi (Hildreth) Heald, married Betsey Hodgman and became the ancestor of Mr. George H. Heald of Carlisle.

Heald - Burtt line

I John[1] Heald, m. Dorothy (Royal)
II John[2] Heald, m. Sarah Dean
III John[3] Heald, m. Mary Chandler
IV Samuel[4] Heald m. Rebecca Fletcher
V Samuel[5] Heald m. Mary Hunt
VI Thomas[6] Heald m. Abi Hildreth
* VII Samuel[7] Heald m. Sibbel March
VIII Eliza French[8] Heald, b. Carlisle, July 12-1814, d. April 10-1887 ae. 72, 9, married George W. Kittredge, b. d. Sept. 5-1850 aged 37 years. Both are buried in Lowell Cemetery, Lawrence St. Lowell, Mass.
IX 3 children:
(1) Adalaide, m. James Pitts Emerson of Chelmsford, Mass.
3 children: Albert
Harry
Ralph, m. Mabel Henderson
2 ch: Theodore
Priscilla
(2) Georgiana Charlotte, m. Joseph Albert Burtt of Andover, Mass
3 children: Willie, d. young.
Fred K. m. Mary Alice Nelson.
2 ch: Nelson
Albert
Walter Needham, m. Edith Frances Flint.
3 ch: Richard, m. Ruth Morey Meersman
Joseph Frederick
Catherine Needham
All children born in Lowell, Mass.
(3) William, m. Phoebe Tilden of Lowell

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* Samuel[7] Heald d. Lowell, Mass. April 18-1870 aged 80 3, 28.
Sybil W. Heald, his wife (Sybil March) d. Lowell, April 24-1867 ae. 75, 6, 9.
Buried in Lowell Cemetery, Lawrence St. Lowell, Mass.

Osgood.

Samuel Osgood } m- { b. Lowell, Nov. 24-1823 son of Isaac & Jane Bean.
Rebecca Parker } { b. Carlisle 1821, dau. Jonas Parker

Ch: (1) Lydia Jane, b. Lowell, Mass. July 19-1846, d. Montclair, N.J. Sept. 10-1921 aged 75 years.
m. May 3-1866, John Humphrey Prescott, b. Burlington, Mass, Oct. 16-1841, d. Montclair, N.J. March 1-1898 aged 56 years. Both are buried in Mt. Hebron Cemetery, there. He was a Grand Army Soldier; member Neil Mead Post. G.A.R. Lexington, Mass. where he lived many years, with his family; removed to Montclair, N.J. about five years before his death.
They had 8 children*: (1) Frederick, (2) John, (3) Annie, (4) Samuel, (5) Norah, (6) Nathaniel (7) Robert, (8) Ruth.

(2) Isaac Parker, b. Lowell, Mass., April 5-1844, d. San Diego, California, July 20-1919 and is buried in Mt. Hebron Cemetery, Montclair, New Jersey.
m- Nellie Brigham in Lowell, and was a machinist in Lowell. They had two sons, Walter and Harry. Harry was drowned when a boy. Walter married in Newark, N.J. and died leaving a widow, Anna, and a son Harry. Later she remarried

* In Feb. 1935, John O. Prescott, son of John Humphrey & Lydia Jane (Osgood) Prescott wrote from Madison, N.J: "The family circle is getting smaller, father gone, mother gone, Sammie, Fred, Nat and Annie. She died seven years ago with stomach cancer. She had married again and was living in Kentucky. There are only four of us left now, Norah, Ruth, Rob and me. Rob is not married; he is in religious work in California. We seldom see him. Norah is living with Ruth in Glenside, Pa. Norah's son has the only grandchild so far."

Carr

Biographical Review.

I Thomas Carr, Senior.

II Thomas Carr, Jr. of Sudbury, Mass. Soldier in the American Revolution.

III John Carr, farmer of Sudbury, Mass. Soldier in the War of 1812. Married Dorcas Haynes of Sudbury.

IV Emory Carr, b. Sudbury, April 3, 1798; farmer; d. 1880, aged 82.
m. Abigail Rice, b. Sept. 30, 1800, Stow, Mass., daughter Solomon and Ruth (Maynard) Rice who resided in Ipswich, N.H.; farmer. Solomon Rice was a Revolutionary soldier and died at Ticonderoga. Abigail died, Carlisle, Dec. 21, 1888 aged 88 yrs, 3 mos, 8 days.

They had eight children, Edward J. being the third.
J.F. Carr of Concord, Mass. James Carr of West Pinge N.H.

V Edward J. Carr, b. New Ipswich, N.H., July 23, 1843.
d. Carlisle, Aug. 9, 1906. Soldier in the Civil War; enlisted at 19; farmer; m. Jan. 14, 1869, Luranah Maria Heald, b. Carlisle, Nov. 3, 1846. d. Sept. 1, 1931 at Hill, N.H., aged 84; daughter Ai and Luranah (Forbush) Green Heald.

They had five children.

VI Charles A. Carr, b. Templeton, Mass., Nov. 17, 1869.
d. Carlisle, Aug. 15, 1898, aged 28.

Rena Maria, b. Templeton, Mass., May 27, 1871.
m. William A. Clark, April 2, 1899.
(see Clark house records)

Lena Marion, b. Carlisle, Mass., Mar. 22, 1873.
m. Homer Edson of Milford, N.H., Jan. 1, 1899, and resided in Canada.

Alvah, b. Carlisle, Mass., Mar. 16, 1877.
m. April 2, 1899, Annie Cluney.

Ch:- June

Nellie, b. Templeton, Mass., April, 1874.
d. Templeton, Mass., June, 1874.

Dart

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They had eight children, Edward J. being the third.
J.F.Carr of Concord, Mass. Thomas Carr of Lunenburg, N.H.

V Edward J. Dart, b. New Ipswich, N.H., July 22, 1823.
d. Dartfield, Aug. 8, 1908. Soldier in the Civil War; enlisted at 18; farmer; m. Jan. 14, 1852, Susanah Maria Heald, b. Dartfield, Nov. 3, 1828, d. Sept. 1, 1921 at Hill, N.H., aged 94; daughter Ai and Susanah (Tolman) Green Heald.

They had five children.

VI Charles A. Dart, b. Templeton, Mass., Nov. 17, 1852.
d. Dartfield, Aug. 18, 1882, aged 29.

Rena Maria, b. Templeton, Mass., May 27, 1871.
m. William A. Ozark, April 8, 1890.
(see Ozark home records)

Rena Martin, b. Dartfield, Mass., Mar. 22, 1872.
m. Homer Edson of Milford, N.H., Jan. 1, 1892, and resided in Canada.

Alvan, b. Dartfield, Mass., Mar. 18, 1877.
m. April 3, 1892, Annie Olney.

Children

Hattie, b. Templeton, Mass., April, 1874.
d. Templeton, Mass., June, 1874.

Edward J. Carr had a common school education, and later became a soldier in the War of the Rebellion. At the close of the war he engaged in farming, first in Templeton, Mass. (1870) where he remained three years, then in Carlisle on the Russell farm, for twenty years, and then on the Captain Samuel Heald place where he remained till his death.

He served the town of Carlisle as Assessor, Supt. of Roads, on the School Board, also as Selectman.

He belonged to the G.A.R. and was a member of Isaac Davis Post 138, Acton, Mass.